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## Annex A

In this Annex, several materials and studies that complement the Master Thesis Report are presented.

### A.1. GFS available data

In this section the complete available data from GFS model is listed in Table 1:

Name	Description	Units
<i>LatLon_Projection</i>		
<b>lat</b>		<b>degrees_north</b>
<b>lon</b>		<b>degrees_east</b>
<i>reftime</i>	GRIB reference time	Hour since 2017-12-31T00:00:00Z
<i>time</i>	GRIB forecast or observation time	Hour since 2017-12-31T00:00:00Z
<i>height_above_ground</i>	Specified height level above ground	m
<i>pressure_difference_layer</i>	Level at specified pressure difference from around to level	Pa
<i>pressure_difference_layer_bounds</i>	bounds for pressure difference layer	Pa
<i>altitude_above_msl</i>	Specific altitude above mean sea level	m
<i>isobaric</i>	Isobaric surface	Pa
<i>height_above_ground_layer</i>	Specified height level above ground	m
<i>height_above_ground_layer_bounds</i>	bounds for height above ground layer	m
<i>height_above_ground_layer1</i>	Specified height level above ground	m
<i>height_above_ground_layer1_bounds</i>	bounds for height above ground layer1	m
<i>isobaric1</i>	Isobaric surface	Pa
<b>isobaric2</b>	<b>Isobaric surface</b>	<b>Pa</b>
<i>pressure_difference_layer1</i>	Level at specified pressure difference from ground to level	Pa
<i>pressure_difference_layer1_bounds</i>	bounds for pressure difference layer1	Pa
<i>isobaric3</i>	Isobaric surface	Pa
<i>sigma_layer</i>	Sigma level	sigma
<i>sigma_layer_bounds</i>	bounds for sigma_layer	sigma
<i>depth_below_surface_layer</i>	Depth below land surface	m
<i>depth_below_surface_layer_bounds</i>	bounds for depth below surface layer	m
<i>height_above_ground1</i>	Specified height level above ground	m
<i>height_above_ground2</i>	Specified height level above ground	m
<i>height_above_ground3</i>	Specified height level above ground	m
<i>potential_vorticity_surface</i>	Potential vorticity surface	K m <sup>2</sup> kg <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>
<i>pressure_difference_layer2</i>	Level at specified pressure difference from around to level	Pa
<i>pressure_difference_layer2_bounds</i>	bounds for pressure difference layer2	Pa
<b>isobaric4</b>	<b>Isobaric surface</b>	<b>Pa</b>
<i>sigma</i>	Sigma level	sigma
<i>height_above_ground4</i>	Specified height level above ground	m
<i>Absolute_vorticity_isobaric</i>	Absolute vorticity @ Isobaric surface	1/s

<i>Apparent_temperature_height_above_ground</i>	Apparent temperature @	K
<i>Cloud_mixing_ratio_isobaric</i>	Specified height level above Cloud mixing ratio @ Isobaric	kg/kg
<i>Cloud_water_entire_atmosphere_single_layer</i>	Cloud water @ Entire	kg.m-2
<i>Convective_available_potential_energy_surface</i>	atmosphere layer Convective available potential	J/kg
<i>Convective_available_potential_energy_pressure_difference_layer</i>	energ @ Ground or water	J/kg
<i>Convective_inhibition_surface</i>	Convective available potential	J/kg
<i>Convective_inhibition_pressure_difference_layer</i>	energ @ Level at specified Convective inhibition @	J/kg
<i>Dewpoint_temperature_height_above_ground</i>	Ground or water surface Convective inhibition @ Level	J/kg
<i>Geopotential_height_surface</i>	at specified pressure difference Dewpoint temperature @	K
<i>Geopotential_height_isobaric</i>	Specified height level above Geopotential height @ Ground	gpm
<i>Geopotential_height_zeroDegC_isotherm</i>	or water surface Geopotential height @ Isobaric	gpm
<i>Geopotential_height_potential_vorticity_surface</i>	surface Geopotential height @ Level of	gpm
<i>Geopotential_height_maximum_wind</i>	0 °C isotherm Geopotential height @	gpm
<i>Geopotential_height_tropopause</i>	Potential vorticity surface Geopotential height @	gpm
<i>Geopotential_height_highest_tropospheric_freezing</i>	Maximum wind level Geopotential height @	gpm
<i>Haines_index_surface</i>	Tropopause Geopotential height @ Highest	gpm
<i>ICAO_Standard_Atmosphere_Reference_Height_maximum_wind</i>	tropospheric freezing level Haines index @ Ground or	gpm
<i>ICAO_Standard_Atmosphere_Reference_Height_tropopause</i>	water surface ICAO Standard Atmosphere	m
<i>Ice_cover_surface</i>	Reference Height @ Maximum ICAO Standard Atmosphere	m
<i>Land_cover_0_sea_1_land_surface</i>	Reference Height @ Ice cover @ Ground or water	m
<i>Per_cent_frozen_precipitation_surface</i>	surface Land cover (0 = sea, 1 = land)	%
<i>Potential_temperature_sigma</i>	@ Ground or water surface Per cent frozen precipitation @	%
<i>Precipitable_water_entire_atmosphere_single_layer</i>	Ground or water surface Potential temperature @	K
<i>Pressure_surface</i>	Sigma level Precipitable water @ Entire	kg.m-2
<i>Pressure_potential_vorticity_surface</i>	atmosphere layer Pressure @ Ground or water	Pa
<i>Pressure_maximum_wind</i>	surface Pressure @ Potential vorticity	Pa
<i>Pressure_tropopause</i>	surface Pressure @ Maximum wind	Pa
<i>Pressure_height_above_ground</i>	level Pressure @ Tropopause	Pa
<i>Pressure_reduced_to_MSL_msl</i>	Pressure @ Specified height level above ground	Pa
<i>Relative_humidity_pressure_difference_layer</i>	Pressure reduced to MSL @ Mean sea level	Pa
<i>Relative_humidity_sigma_layer</i>	Relative humidity @ Level at specified pressure difference	%
<i>Relative_humidity_isobaric</i>	Relative humidity @ Sigma	%
<i>Relative_humidity_zeroDegC_isotherm</i>	level layer Relative humidity @ Isobaric	%
<i>Relative_humidity_height_above_ground</i>	surface Relative humidity @ Level of 0	%
<i>Relative_humidity_entire_atmosphere_single_layer</i>	°C isotherm Relative humidity @ Specified	%
<i>Relative_humidity_highest_tropospheric_freezing</i>	height level above ground Relative humidity @ Entire	%
<i>Relative_humidity_sigma</i>	atmosphere layer Relative humidity @ Highest	%
<i>Snow_depth_surface</i>	tropospheric freezing level Relative humidity @ Sigma	%
<i>Soil_temperature_depth_below_surface_layer</i>	level Snow depth @ Ground or	m
<i>Specific_humidity_pressure_difference_layer</i>	water surface Soil temperature @ Depth	K
	below land surface layer Specific humidity @ Level at	kg/kg
	specified pressure difference	

<i>Specific_humidity_height_above_ground</i>	Specific humidity @ Specified height level above around	kg/kg
<i>Storm_relative_helicity_height_above_ground_layer</i>	Storm relative helicity @ Specified height level above	J/kg
<i>Temperature_surface</i>	Temperature @ Ground or water surface	K
<i>Temperature_pressure_difference_layer</i>	Temperature @ Level at specified pressure difference	K
<i>Temperature_isobaric</i>	Temperature @ Isobaric surface	K
<i>Temperature_potential_vorticity_surface</i>	Temperature @ Potential vorticity surface	K
<i>Temperature_maximum_wind</i>	Temperature @ Maximum wind level	K
<i>Temperature_altitude_above_msl</i>	Temperature @ Specific altitude above mean sea level	K
<i>Temperature_height_above_ground</i>	Temperature @ Specified height level above around	K
<i>Temperature_tropopause</i>	Temperature @ Tropopause	K
<i>Temperature_sigma</i>	Temperature @ Sigma level	K
<i>Total_ozone_entire_atmosphere_single_layer</i>	Total ozone @ Entire atmosphere layer	DU
<i>Ozone_Mixing_Ratio_isobaric</i>	Ozone Mixing Ratio @ Isobaric surface	kg.kg-1
<i>Vertical_Speed_Shear_tropopause</i>	Vertical Speed Shear @ Tropopause	s-1
<i>Vertical_Speed_Shear_potential_vorticity_surface</i>	Vertical Speed Shear @ Potential vorticity surface	s-1
<i>U-Component_Storm_Motion_height_above_ground_layer</i>	U-Component Storm Motion @ Specified height level above	m.s-1
<i>V-Component_Storm_Motion_height_above_ground_layer</i>	V-Component Storm Motion @ Specified height level above	m.s-1
<i>Ventilation_Rate_planetary_boundary</i>	Ventilation Rate @ Planetary Boundary Layer	m2.s-1
<i>MSLP_Eta_model_reduction_msl</i>	MSLP (Eta model reduction) @ Mean sea level	Pa
<i>5-Wave_Geopotential_Height_isobaric</i>	5-Wave Geopotential Height @ Isobaric surface	gpm
<i>Planetary_Boundary_Layer_Height_surface</i>	Planetary Boundary Layer Height @ Ground or water	m
<i>Pressure_of_level_from_which_parcel_was_lifted_pressure_difference_layer</i>	Pressure of level from which parcel was lifted @ Level at	Pa
<i>Sunshine_Duration_surface</i>	Sunshine Duration @ Ground or water surface	s
<i>Surface_Lifted_Index_surface</i>	Surface Lifted Index @ Ground or water surface	K
<i>Best_4_layer_Lifted_Index_surface</i>	Best (4 layer) Lifted Index @ Ground or water surface	K
<i>Volumetric_Soil_Moisture_Content_depth_below_surface_1_aver</i>	Volumetric Soil Moisture Content @ Depth below land	Fraction
<i>Wilting_Point_surface</i>	Wilting Point @ Ground or water surface	Fraction
<i>Land-sea_coverage_nearest_neighbor_land1sea0_surface</i>	Land-sea coverage (nearest neighbor) [land=1, sea=0] @	
<i>Field_Capacity_surface</i>	Field Capacity @ Ground or water surface	Fraction
<b><i>Vertical_velocity_pressure_isobaric</i></b>	<b>Vertical velocity (pressure) @ Isobaric surface</b>	<b>Pa/s</b>
<i>Vertical_velocity_pressure_sigma</i>	Vertical velocity (pressure) @ Sigma level	Pa/s
<i>Visibility_surface</i>	Visibility @ Ground or water surface	m
<i>Water_equivalent_of_accumulated_snow_depth_surface</i>	Water equivalent of accumulated snow depth @	kg.m-2
<i>Wind_speed_gust_surface</i>	Wind speed (gust) @ Ground or water surface	m/s
<i>u-component_of_wind_pressure_difference_layer</i>	u-component of wind @ Level at specified pressure difference	m/s
<i>u-component_of_wind_planetary_boundary</i>	u-component of wind @ Planetary Boundary Layer	m/s
<b><i>u-component_of_wind_isobaric</i></b>	<b>u-component of wind @ Isobaric surface</b>	<b>m/s</b>
<i>u-component_of_wind_potential_vorticity_surface</i>	u-component of wind @ Potential vorticity surface	m/s
<i>u-component_of_wind_maximum_wind</i>	u-component of wind @ Maximum wind level	m/s
<i>u-component_of_wind_altitude_above_msl</i>	u-component of wind @ Specific altitude above mean	m/s

<i>u-component_of_wind_height_above_ground</i>	u-component of wind @ Specified height level above	m/s
<i>u-component_of_wind_tropopause</i>	u-component of wind @ Tropopause	m/s
<i>u-component_of_wind_sigma</i>	u-component of wind @ Sigma level	m/s
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<i>v-component_of_wind_potential_vorticity_surface</i>	v-component of wind @ Potential vorticity surface	m/s
<i>v-component_of_wind_maximum_wind</i>	v-component of wind @ Maximum wind level	m/s
<i>v-component_of_wind_altitude_above_msl</i>	v-component of wind @ Specific altitude above mean	m/s
<i>v-component_of_wind_height_above_ground</i>	v-component of wind @ Specified height level above	m/s
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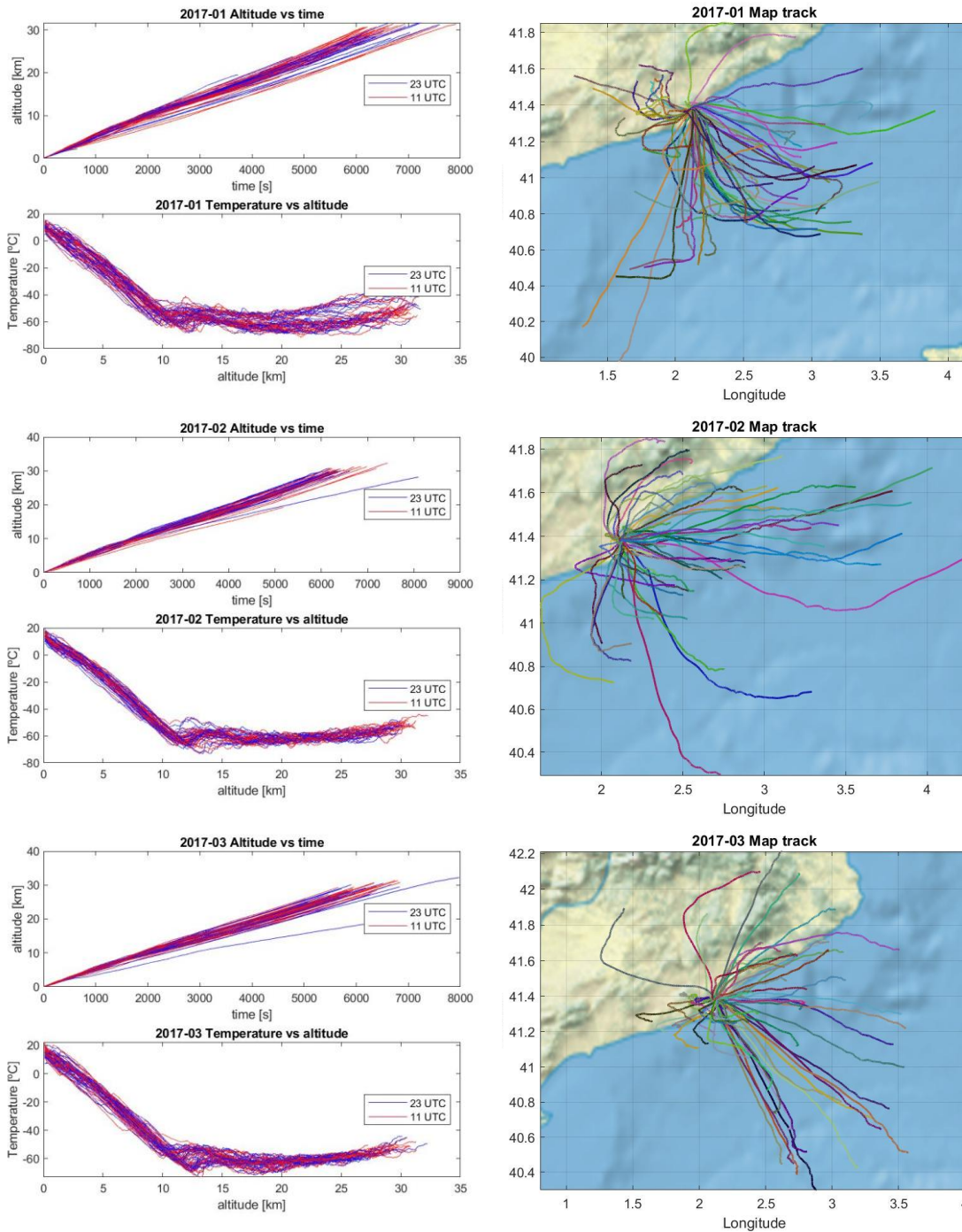
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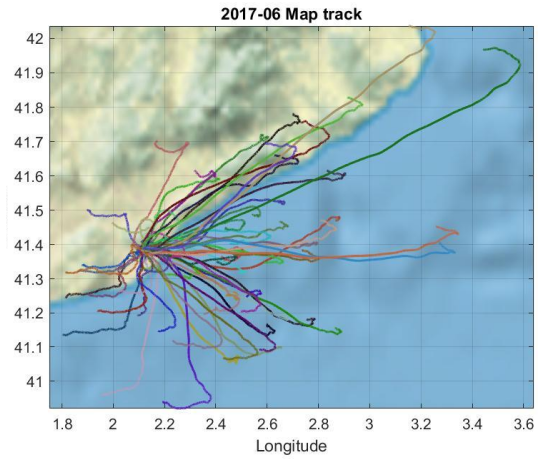
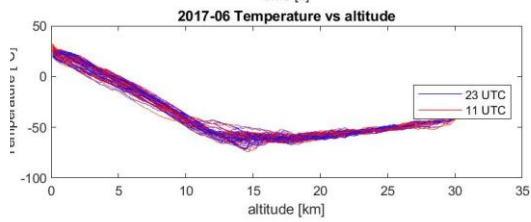
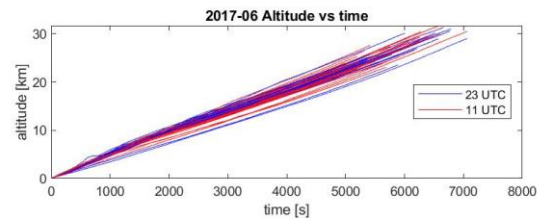
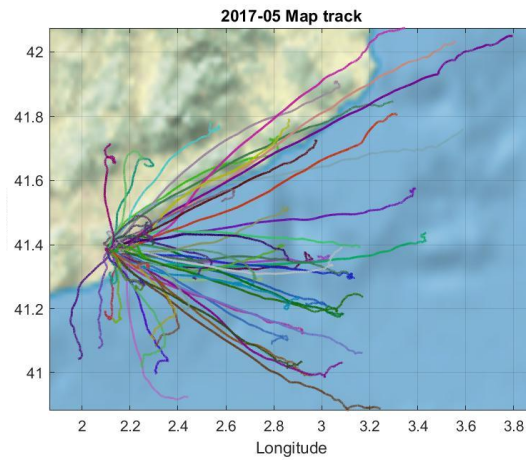
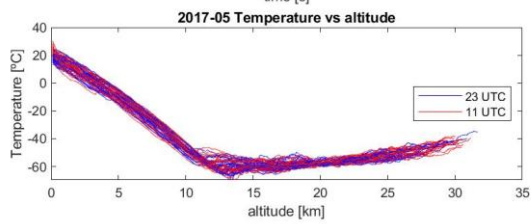
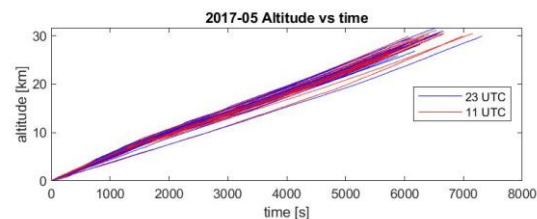
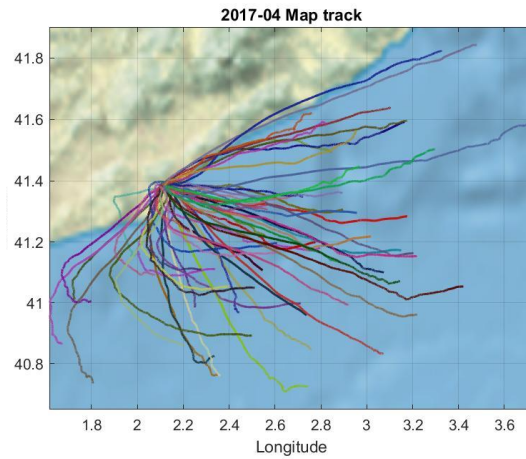
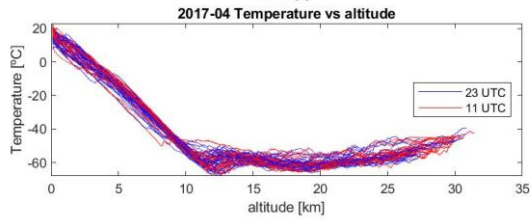
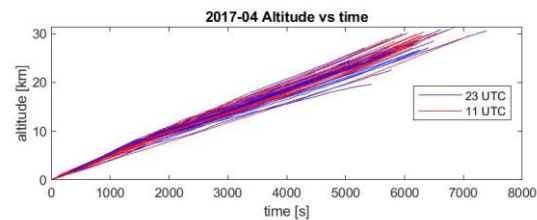


## A.2. Radiosonde data study

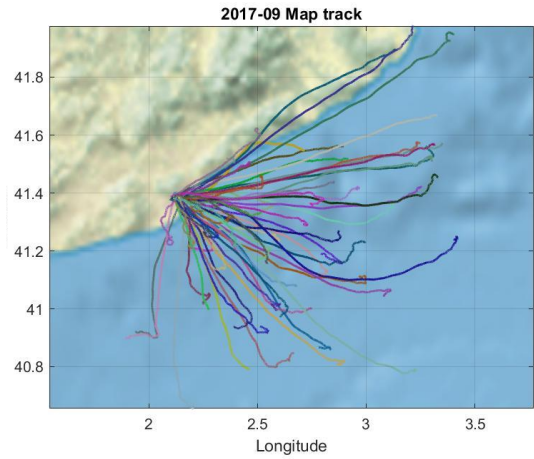
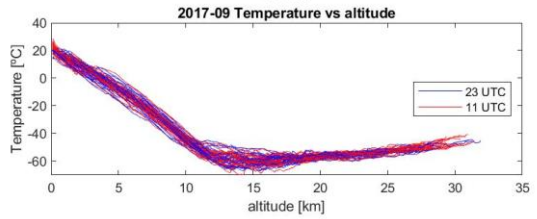
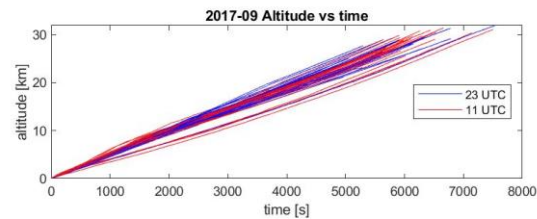
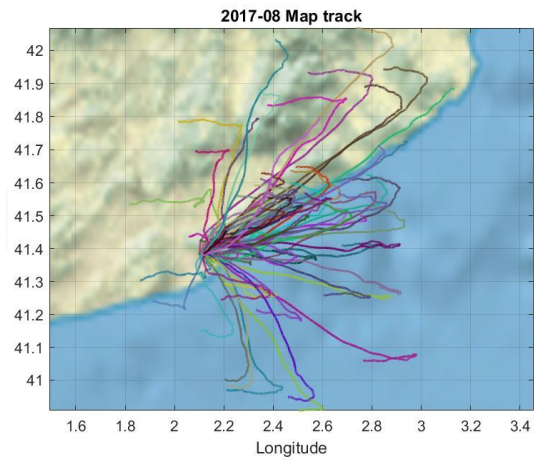
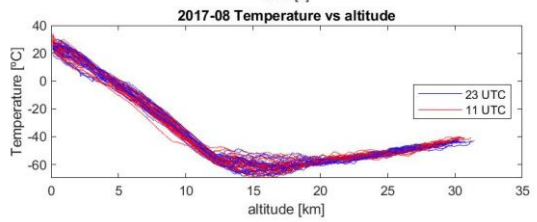
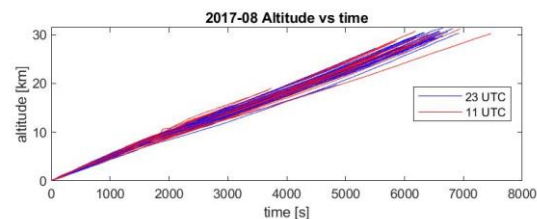
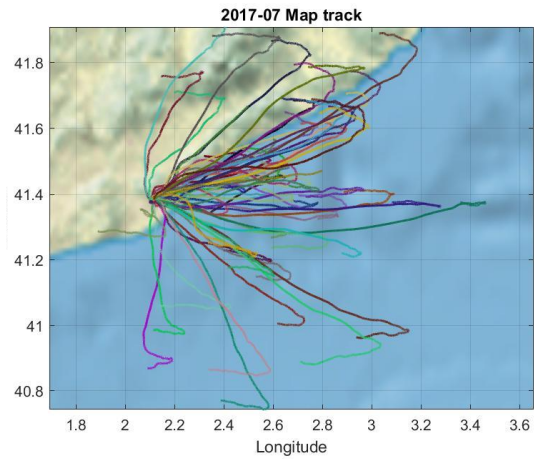
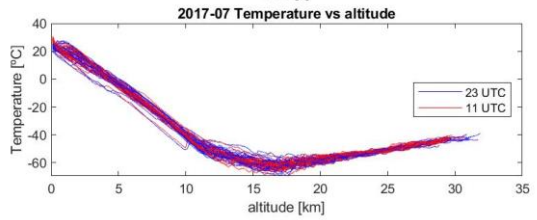
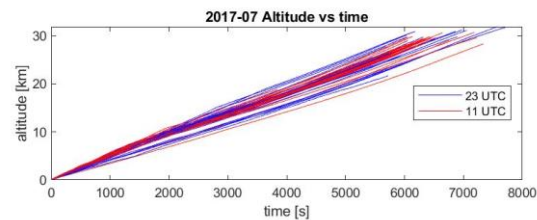
In order to understand the information available from the radiosonde, the variation of altitude with time and the temperature has been studied using script `Main_Data_Study`. The plots for years 2013-2017 have been represented for each month, with the blue line being the night launches while the red curves are the day ones. In the following figures this ascension profile as well as the trajectory is shown for every year and month:

### A.2.1. Year 2017 study









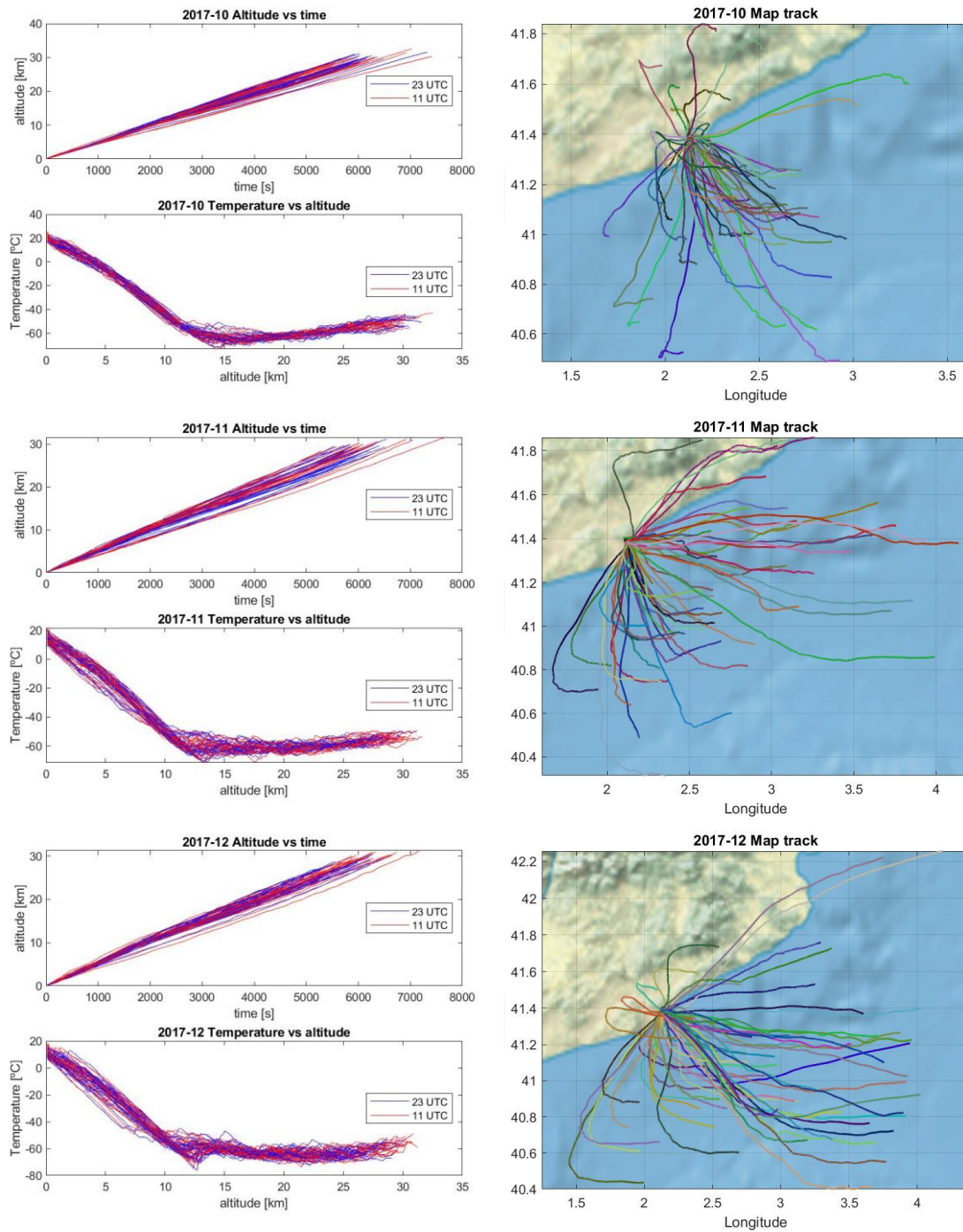
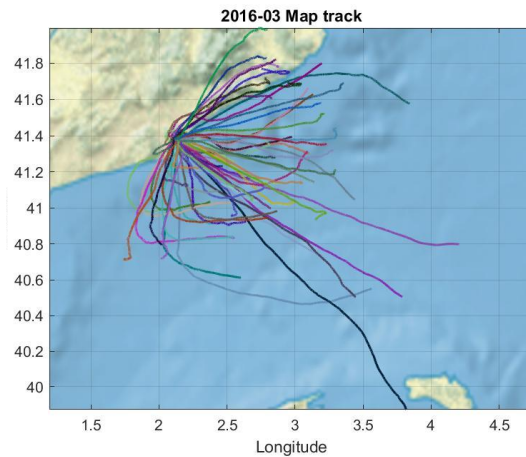
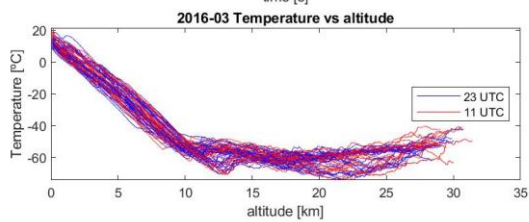
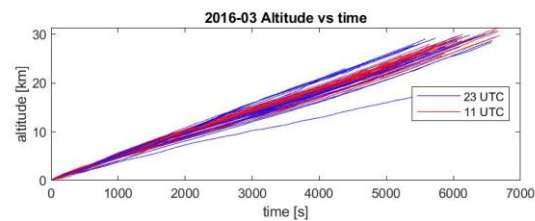
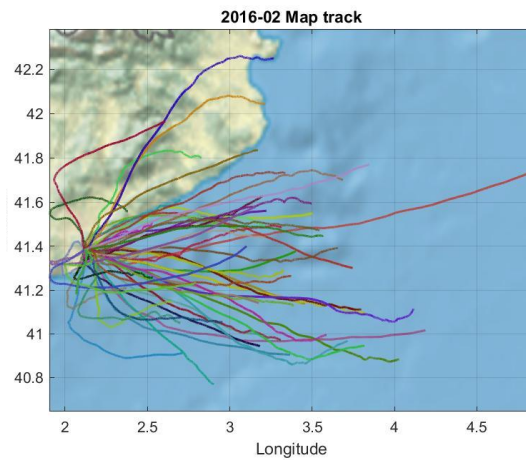
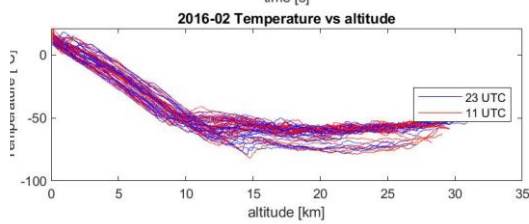
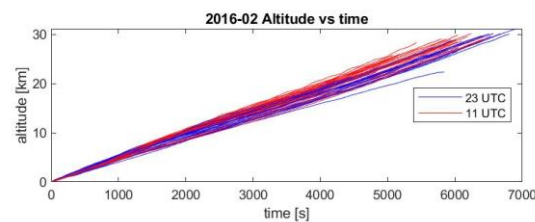
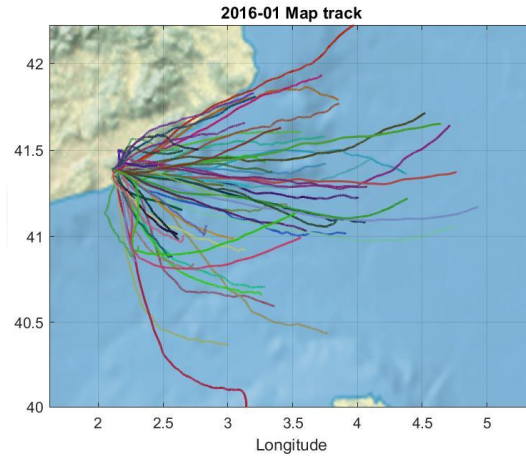
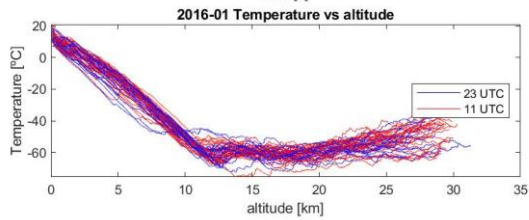
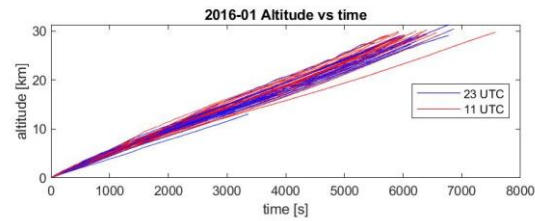
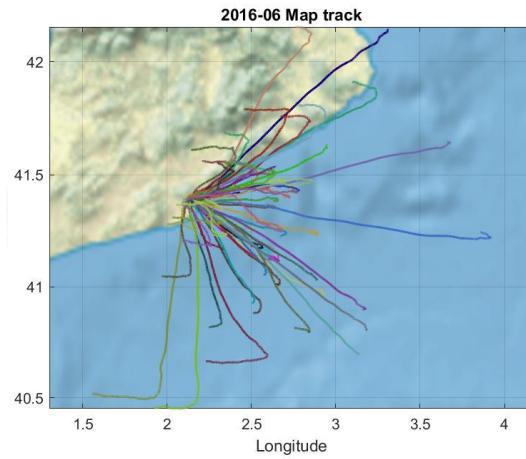
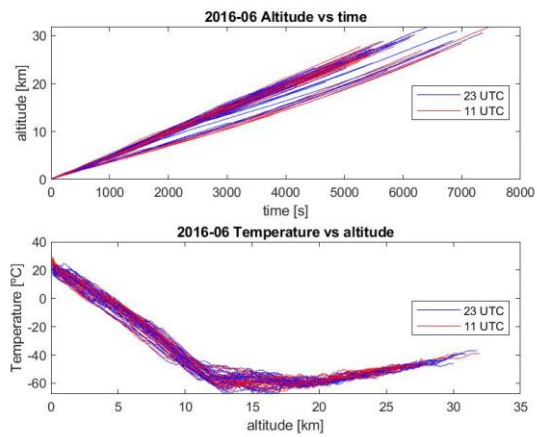
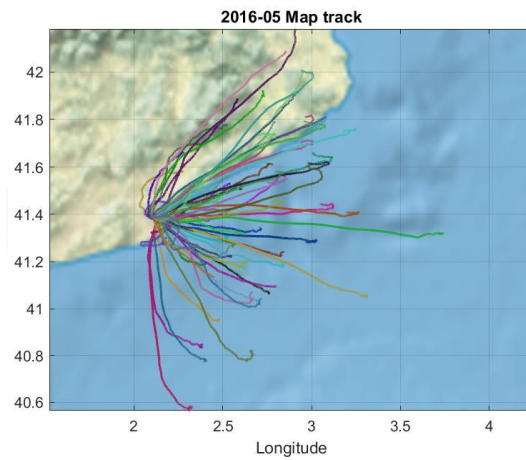
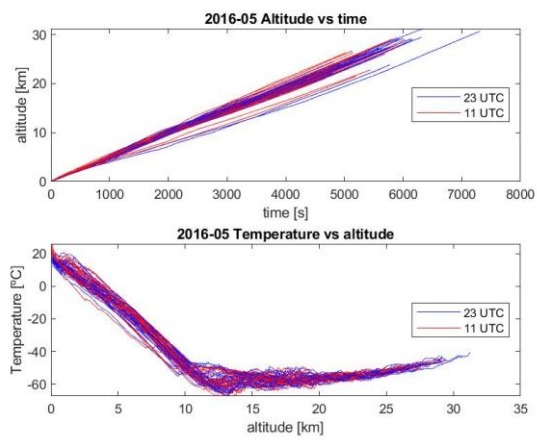
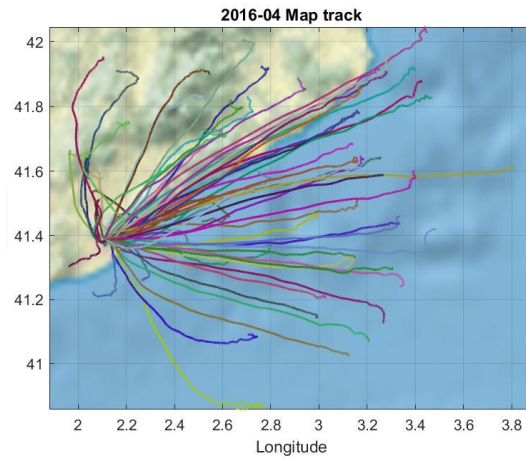
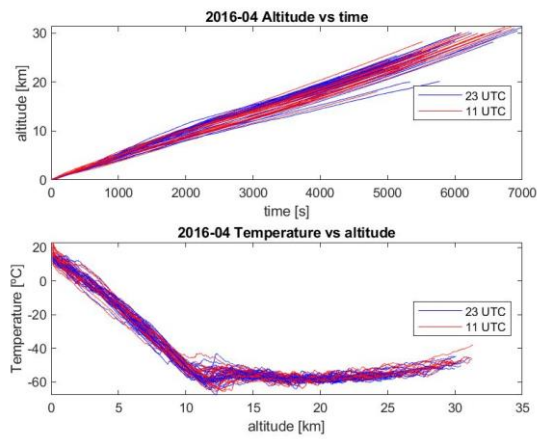


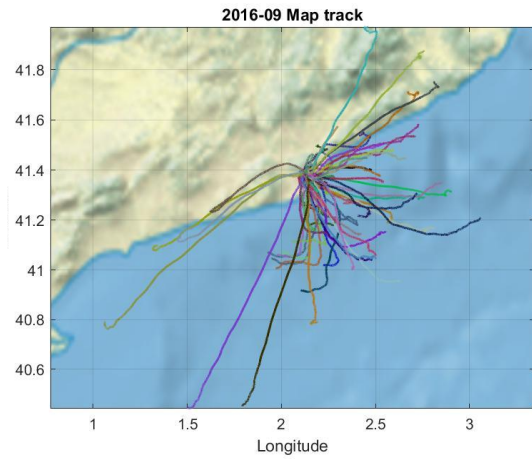
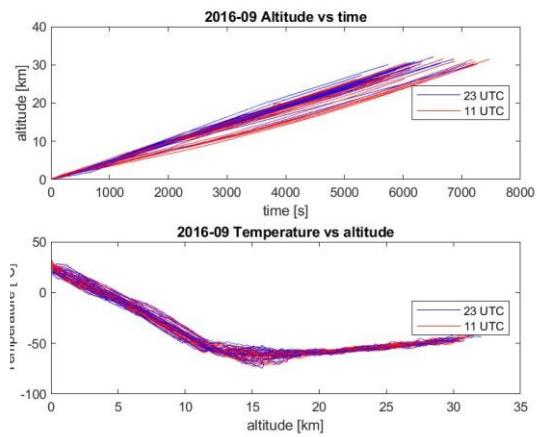
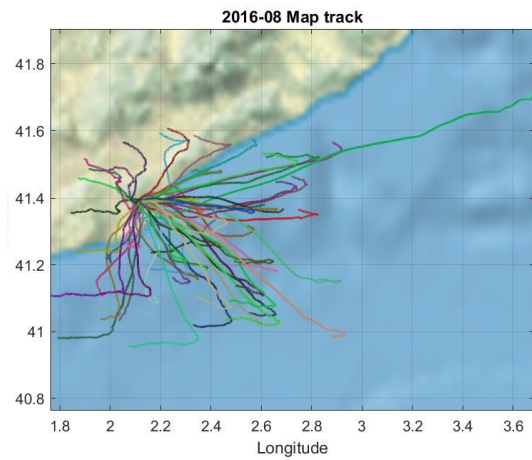
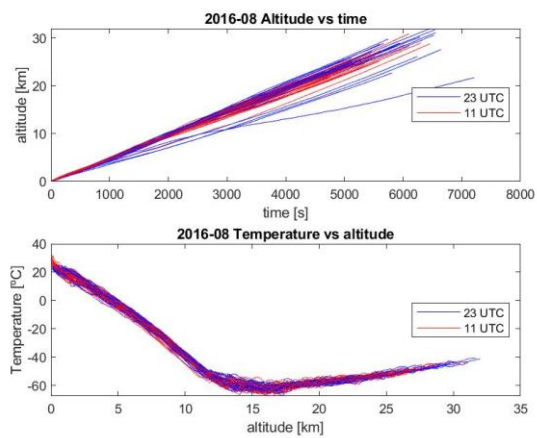
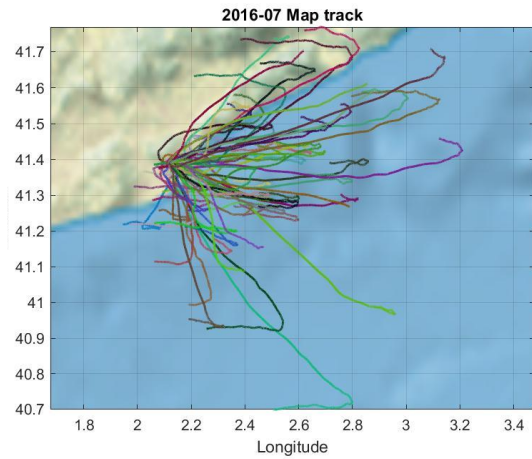
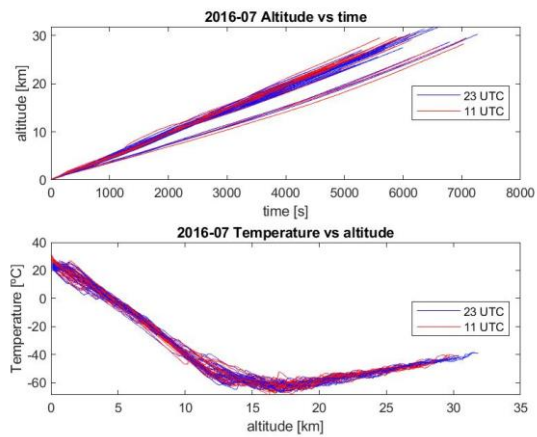
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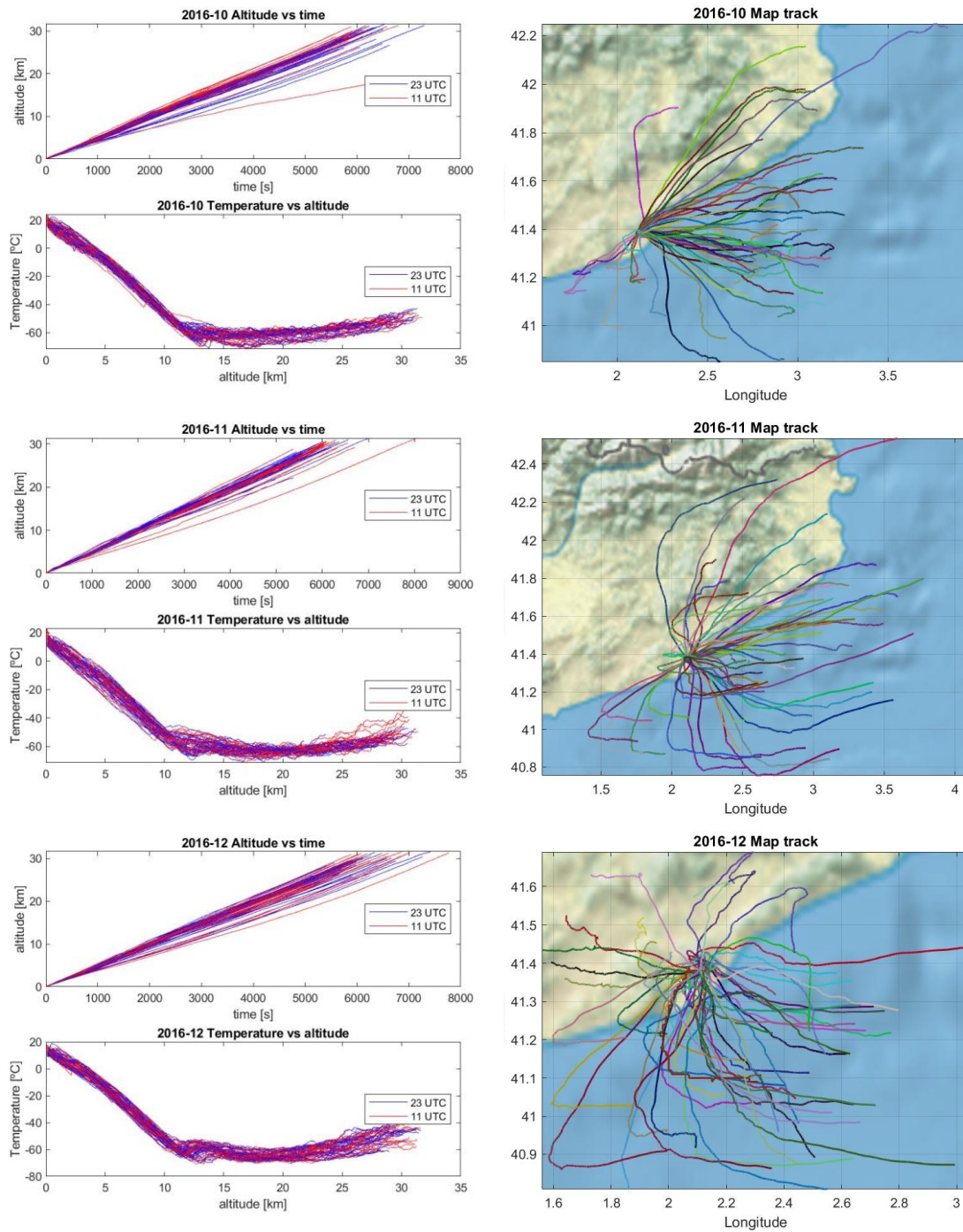
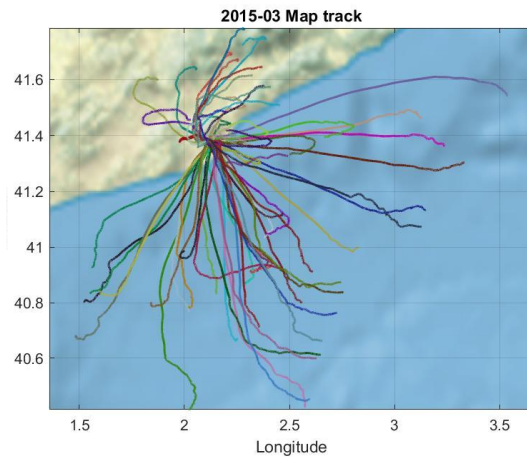
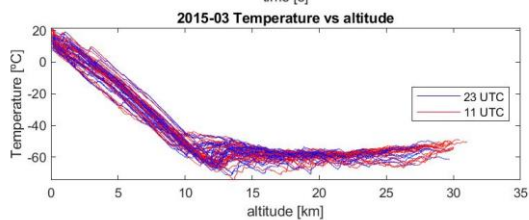
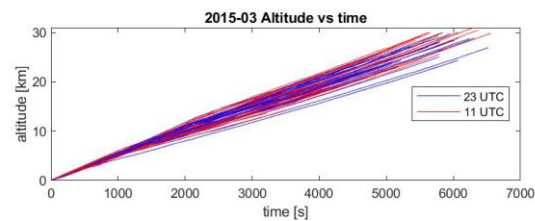
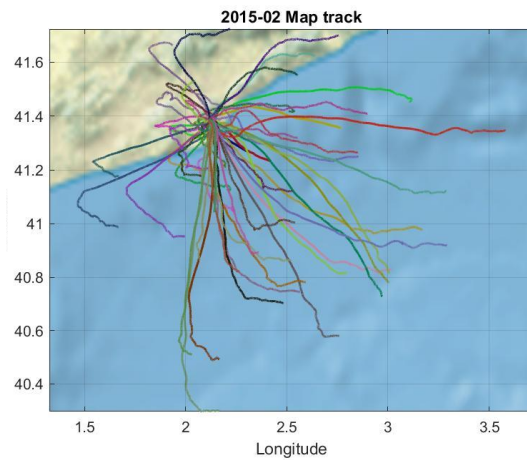
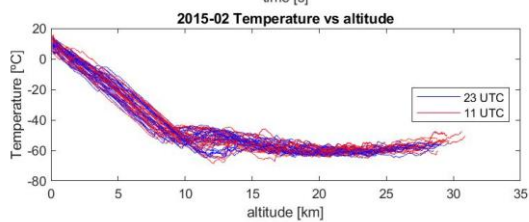
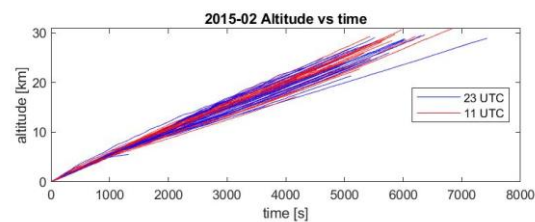
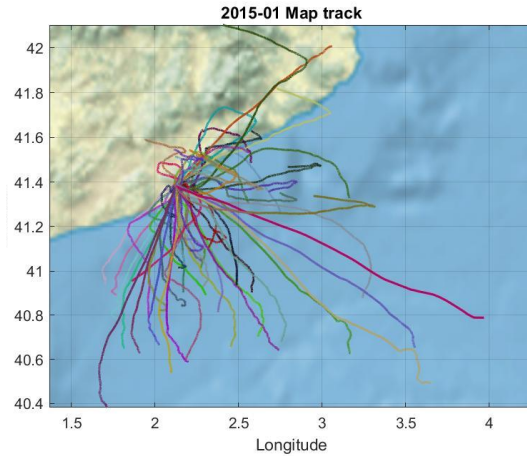
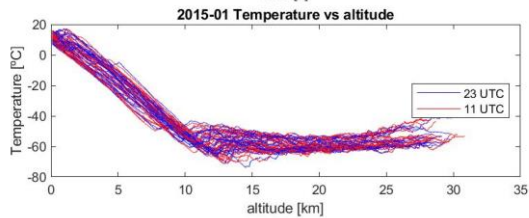
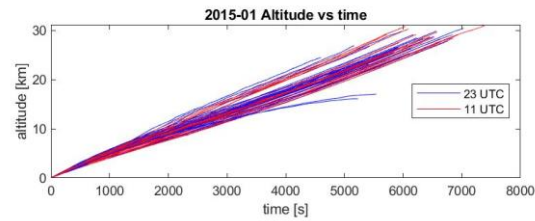
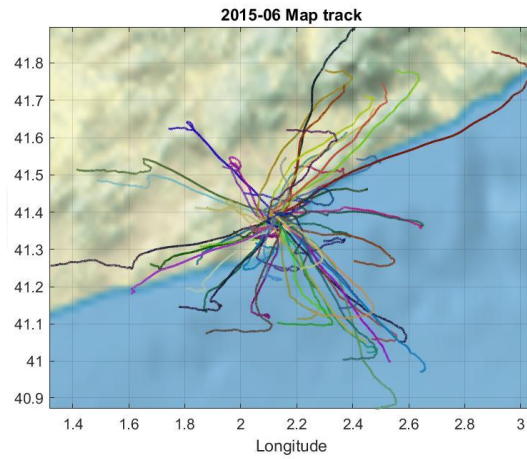
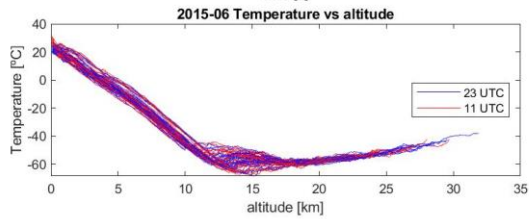
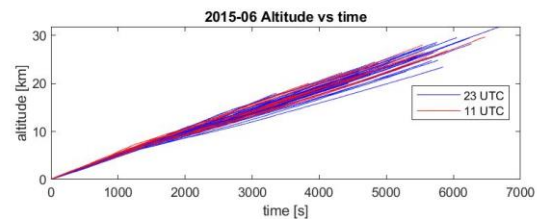
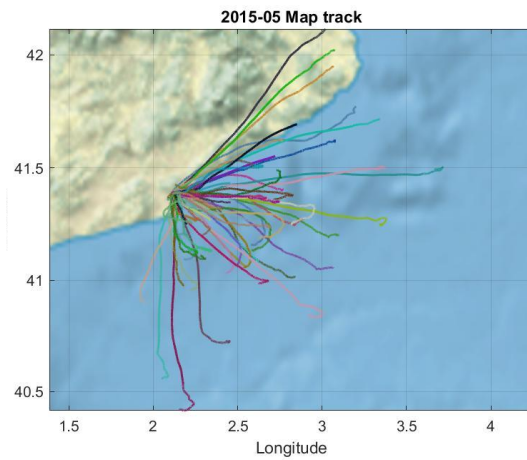
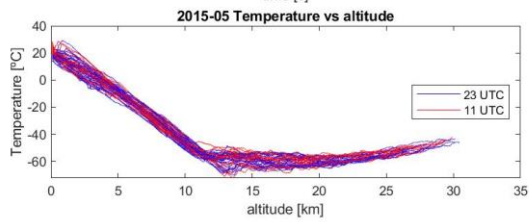
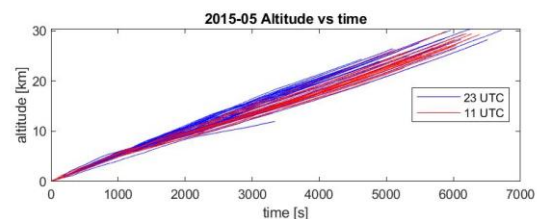
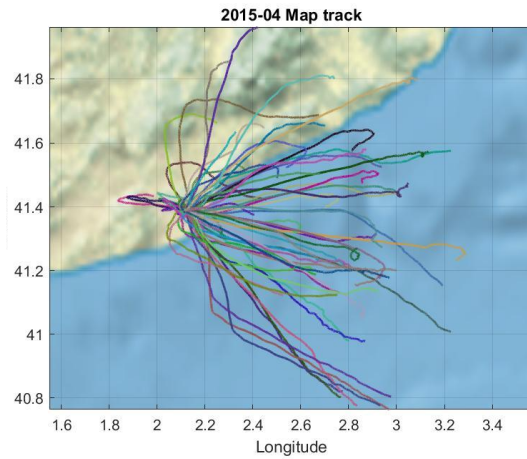
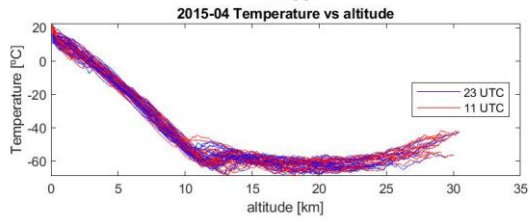
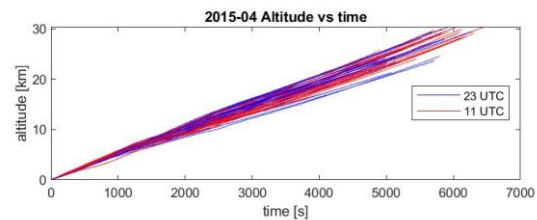


Figure 2 2016 Month by month altitude vs time and temperature vs altitude and flight trajectory

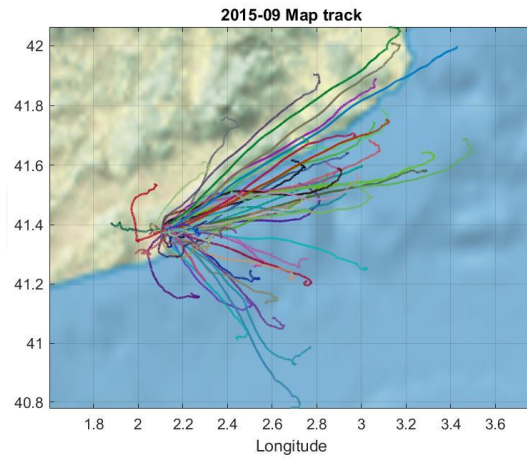
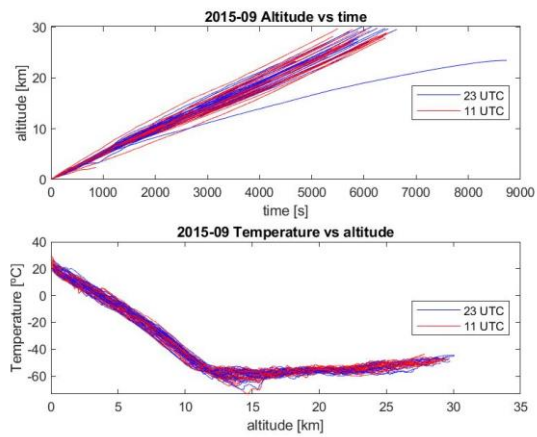
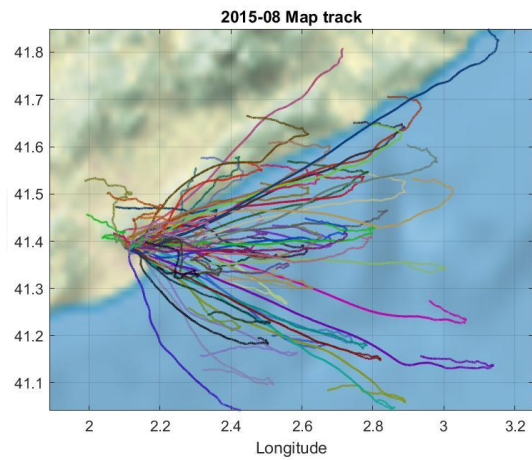
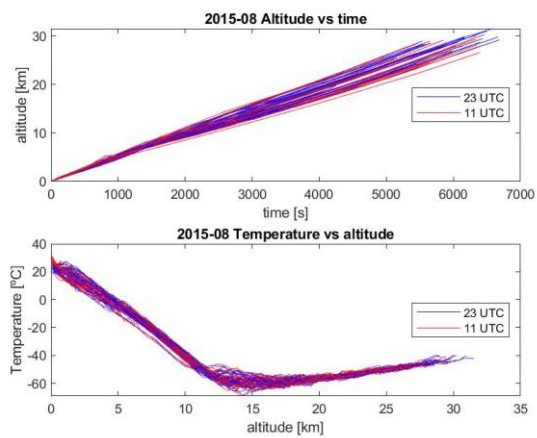
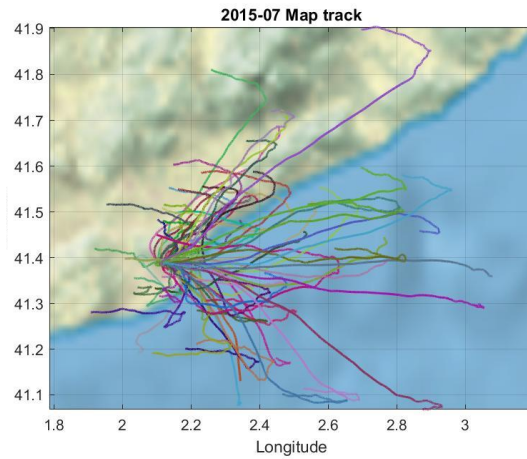
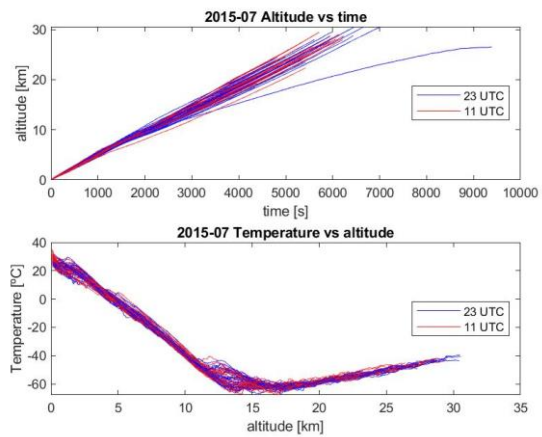


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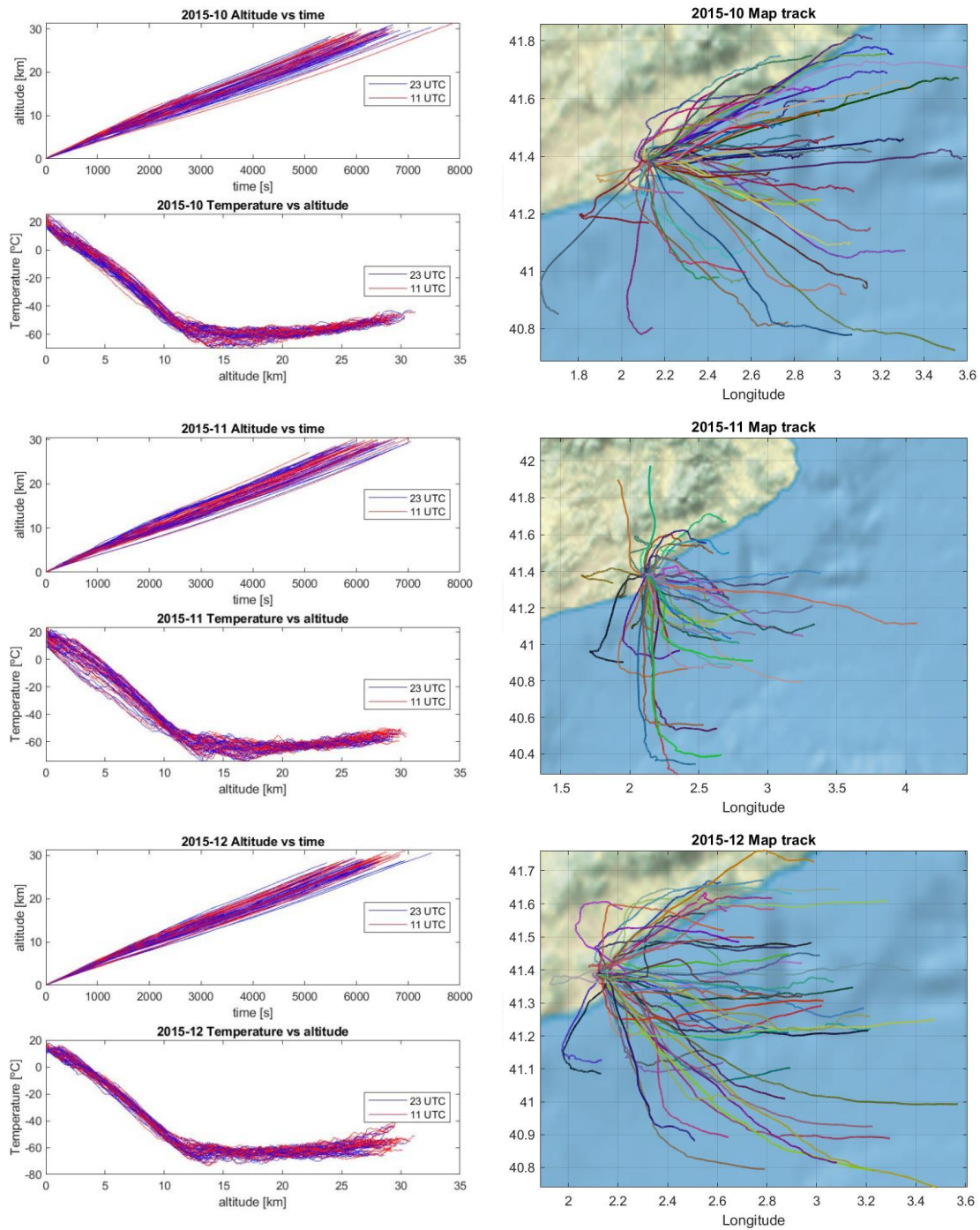
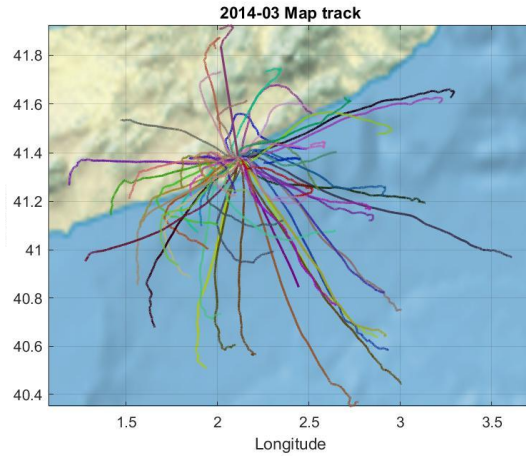
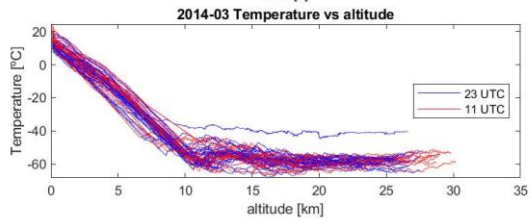
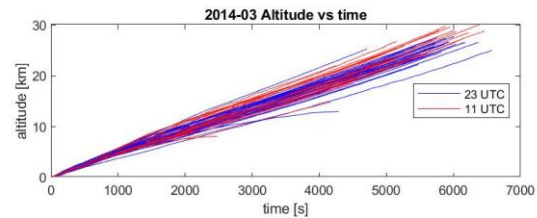
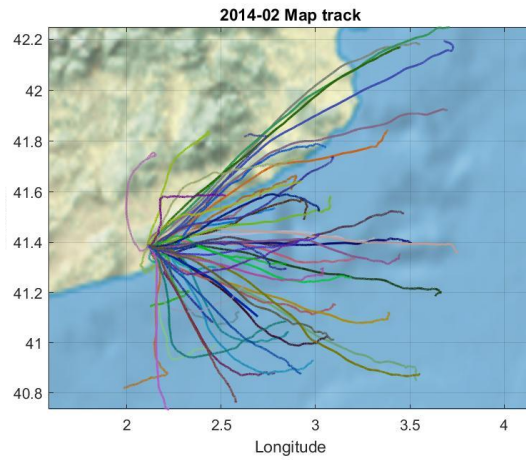
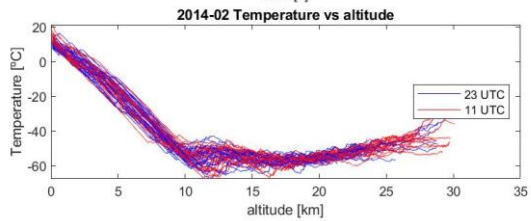
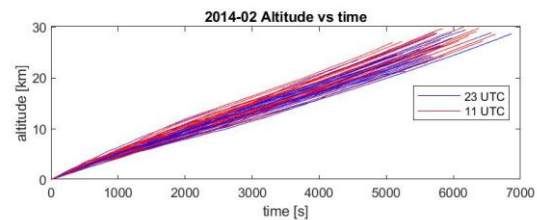
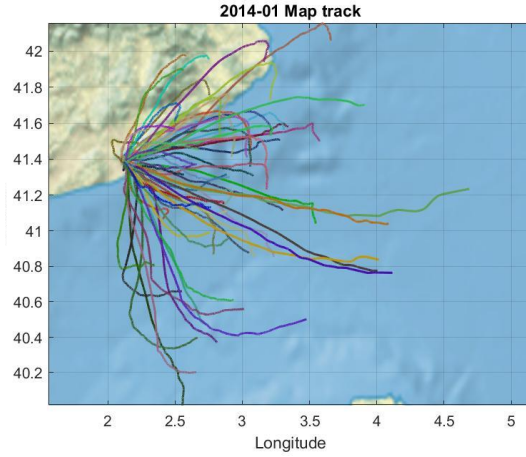
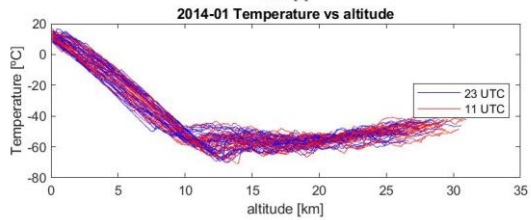
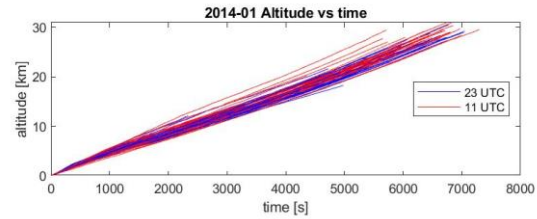
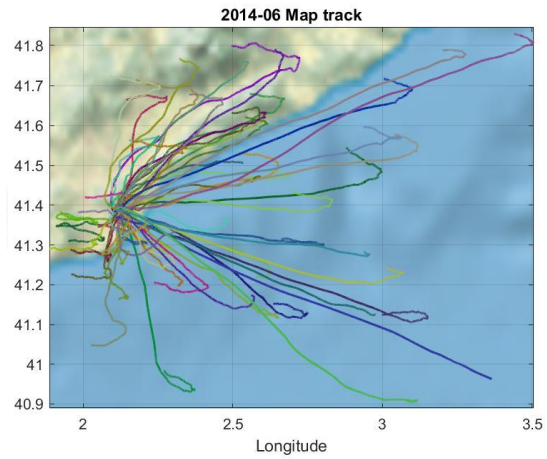
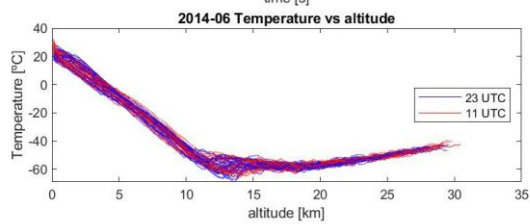
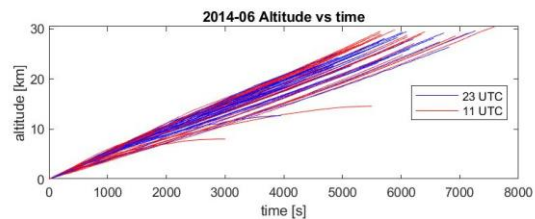
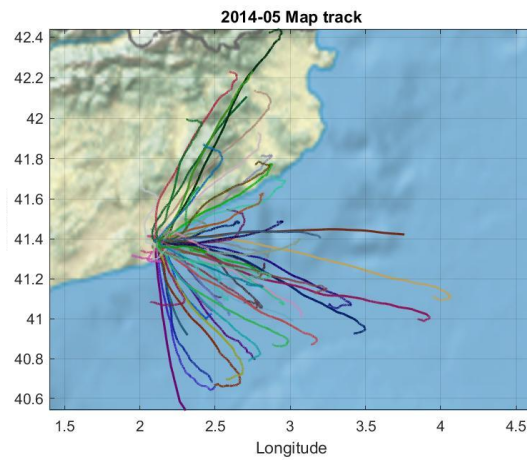
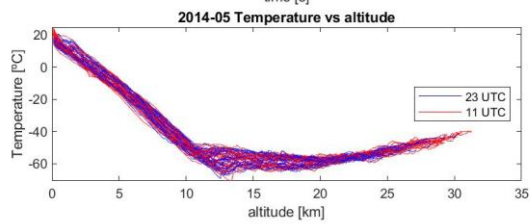
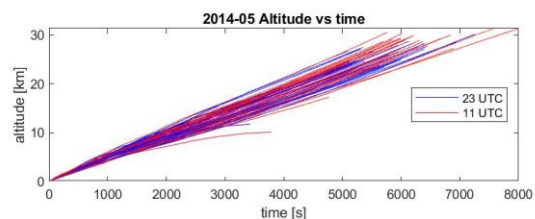
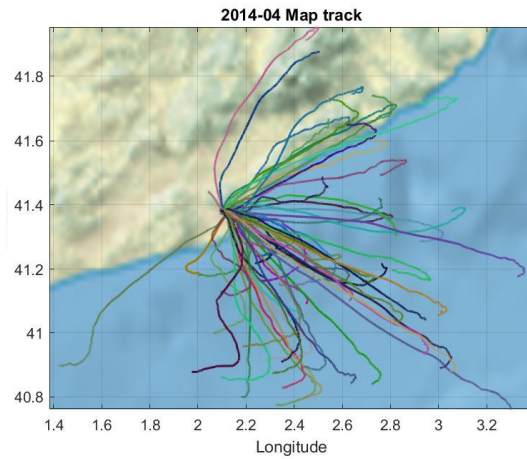
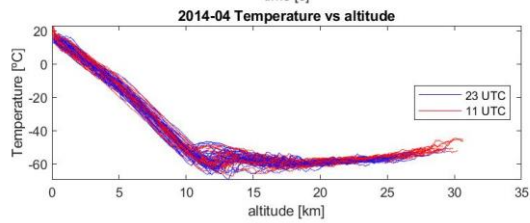
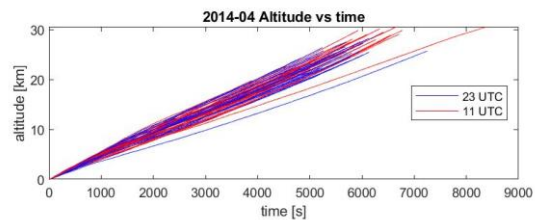


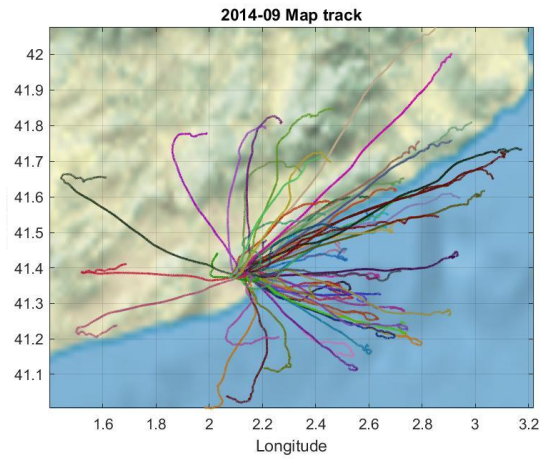
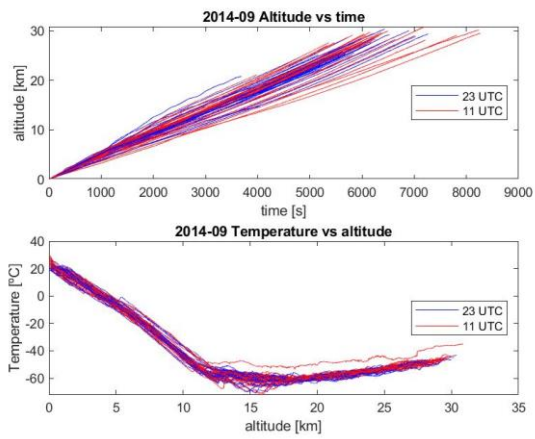
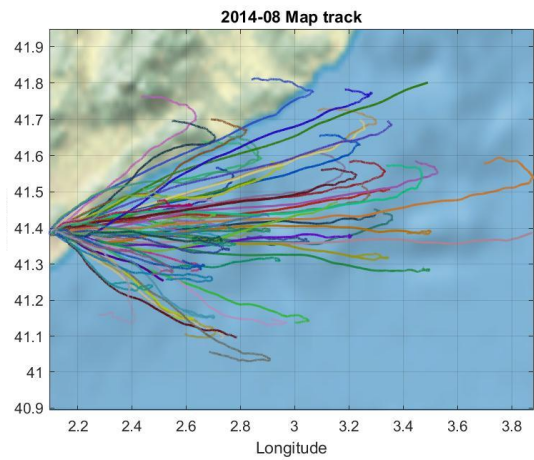
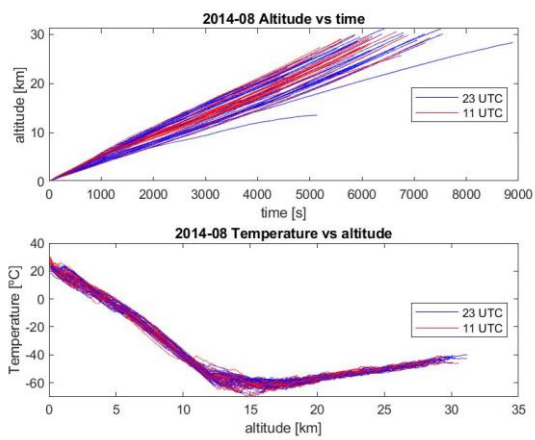
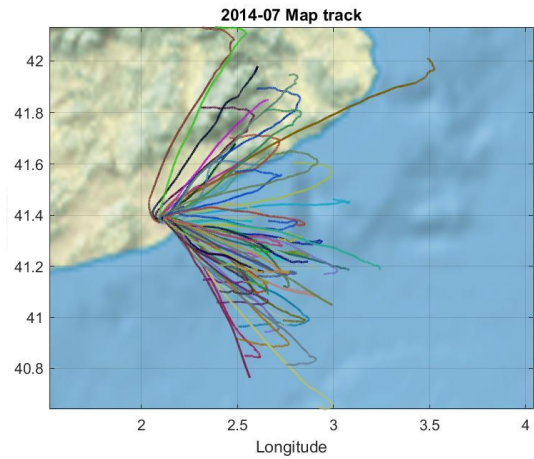
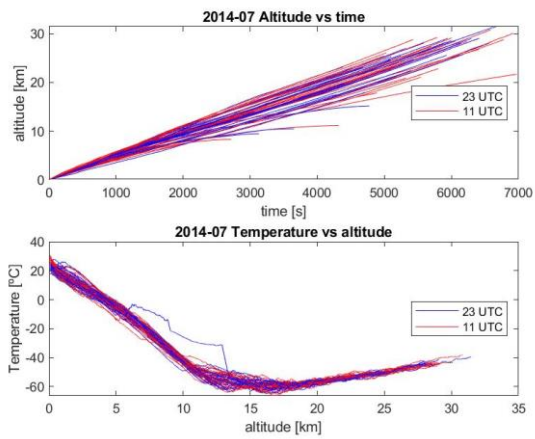
Figure 3 2015 Month by month altitude vs time and temperature vs altitude and flight trajectory

#### A.2.4. Year 2014 study









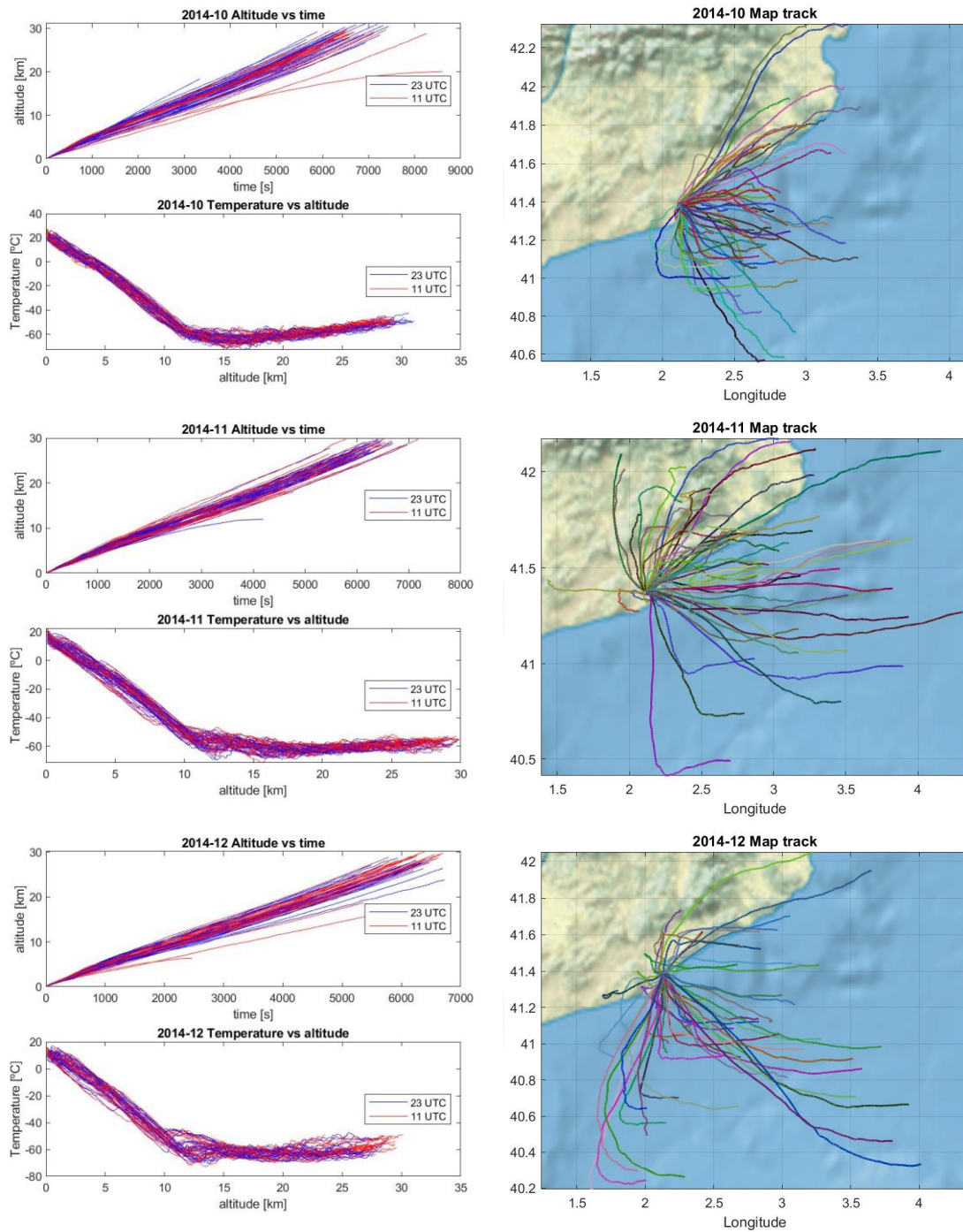
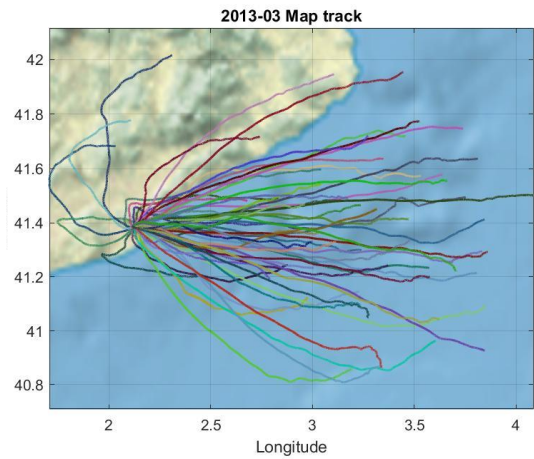
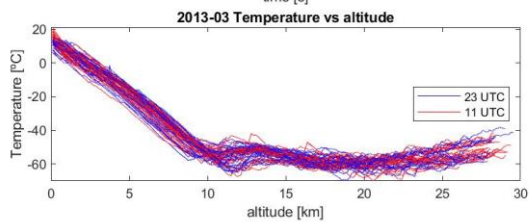
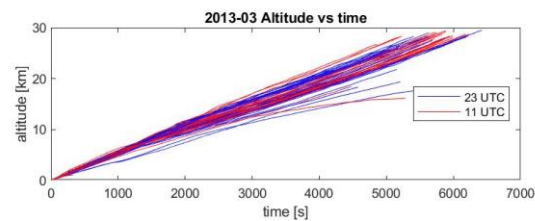
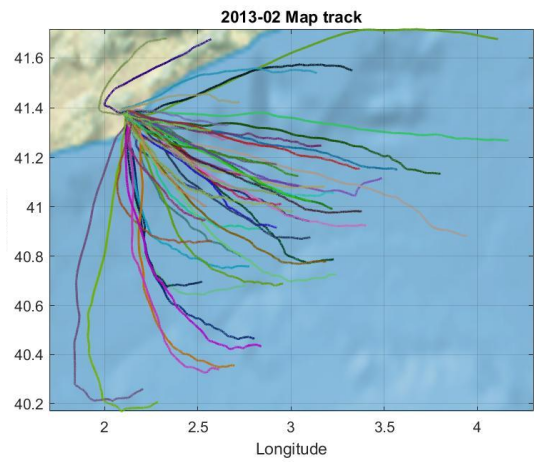
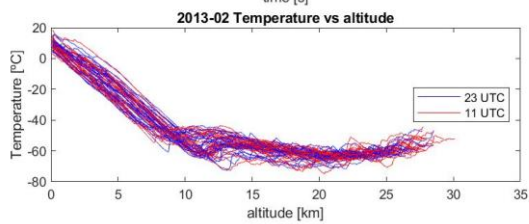
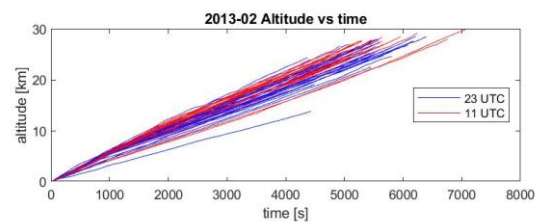
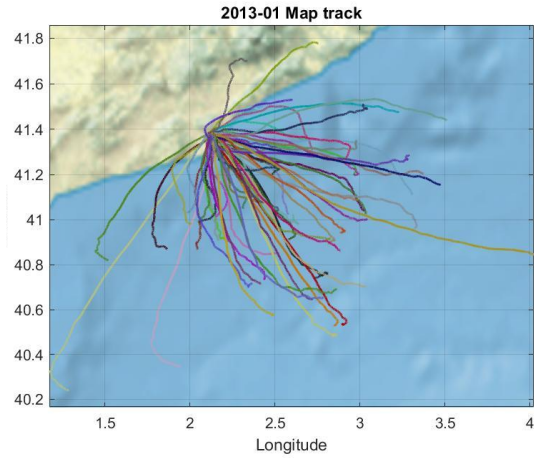
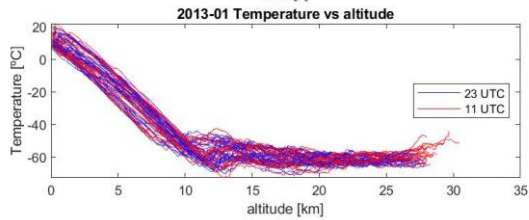
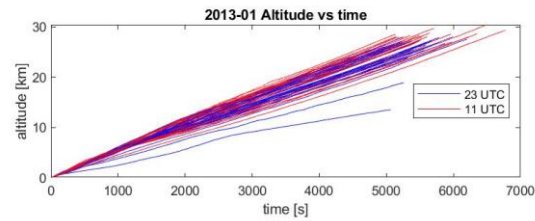
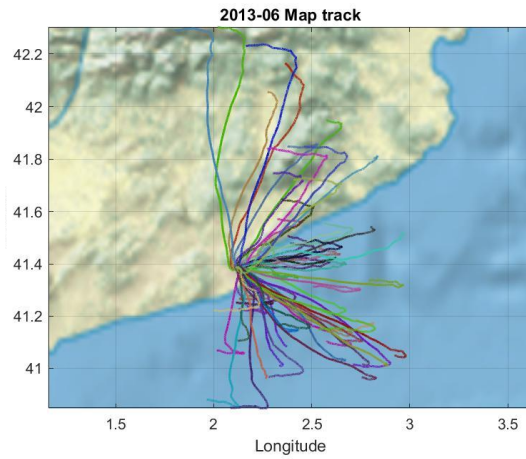
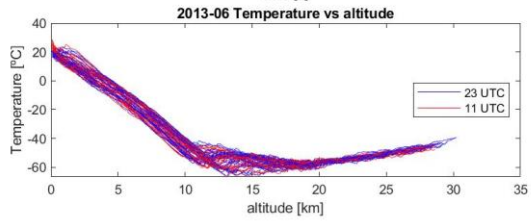
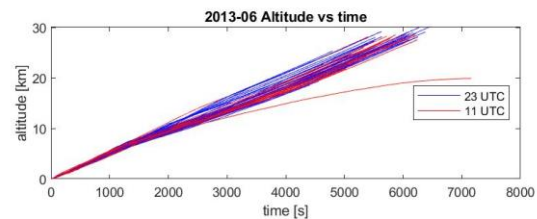
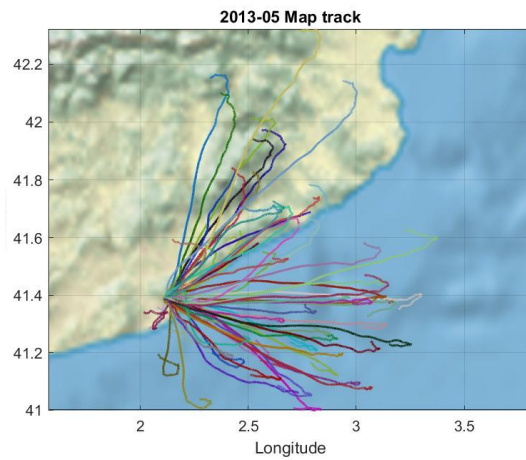
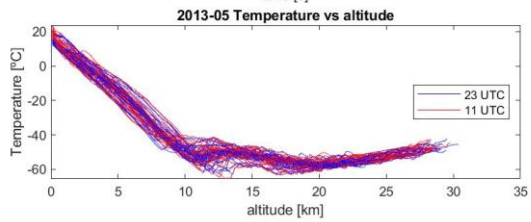
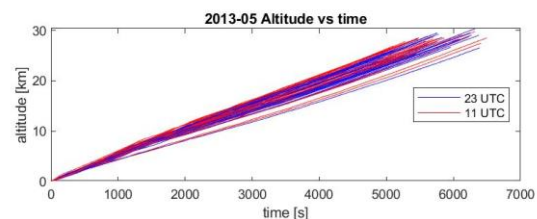
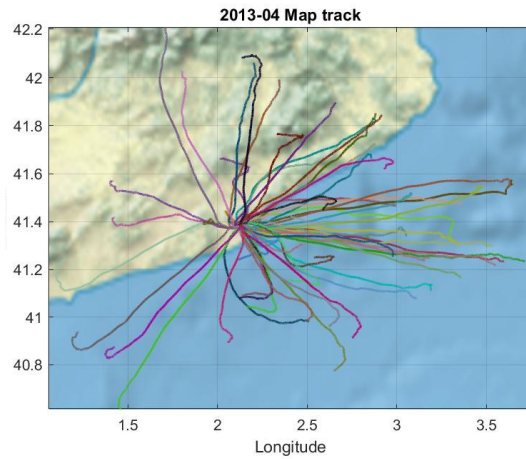
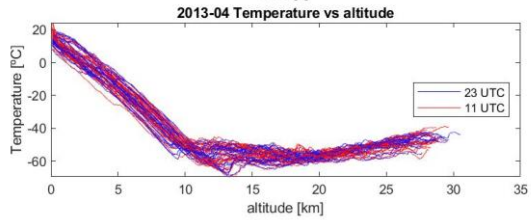
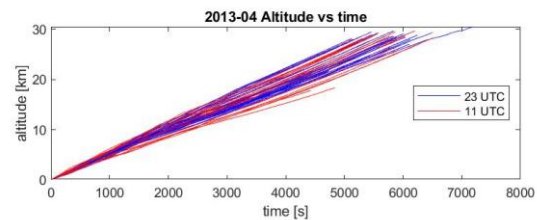


Figure 4 2014 Month by month altitude vs time and temperature vs altitude and flight trajectory

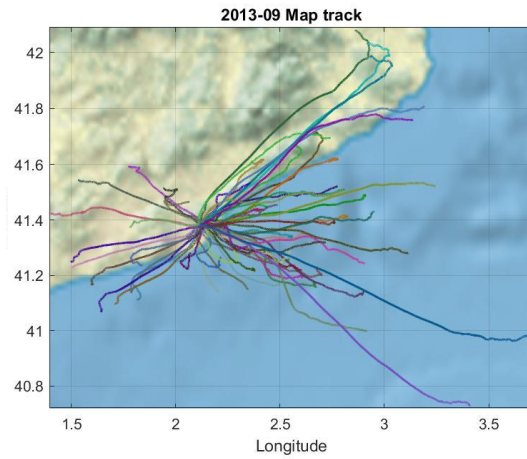
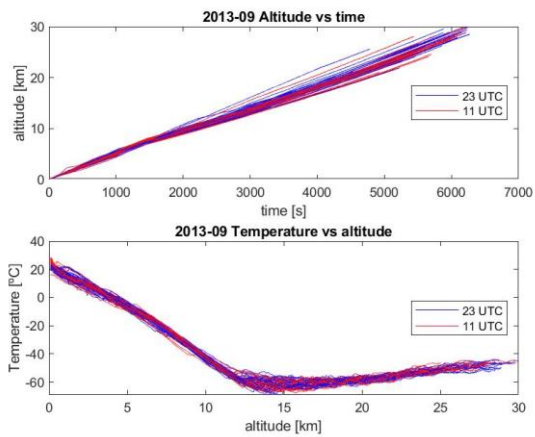
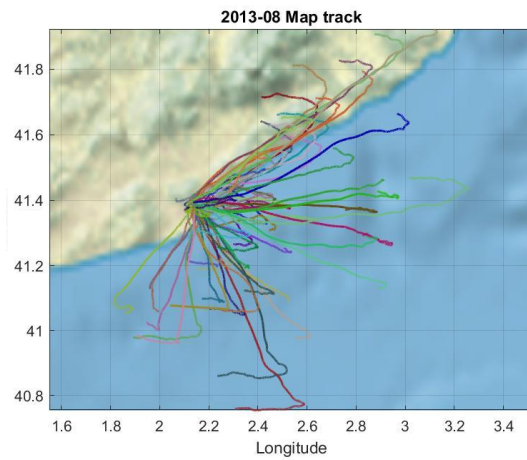
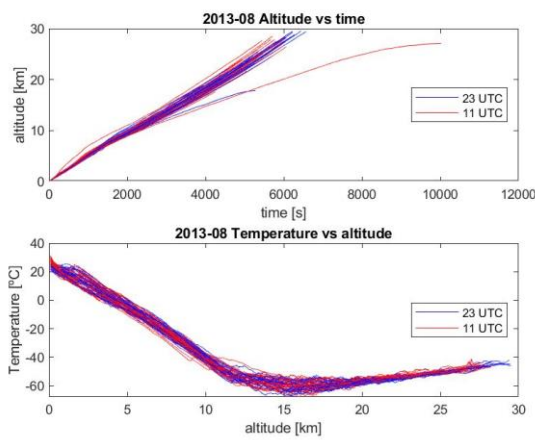
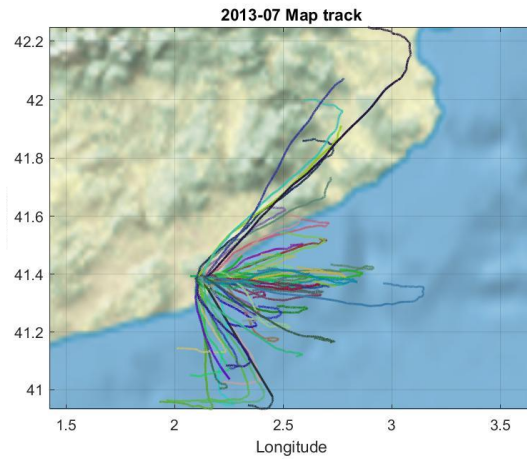
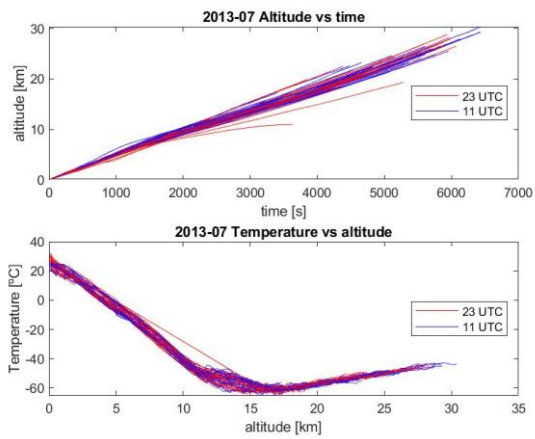


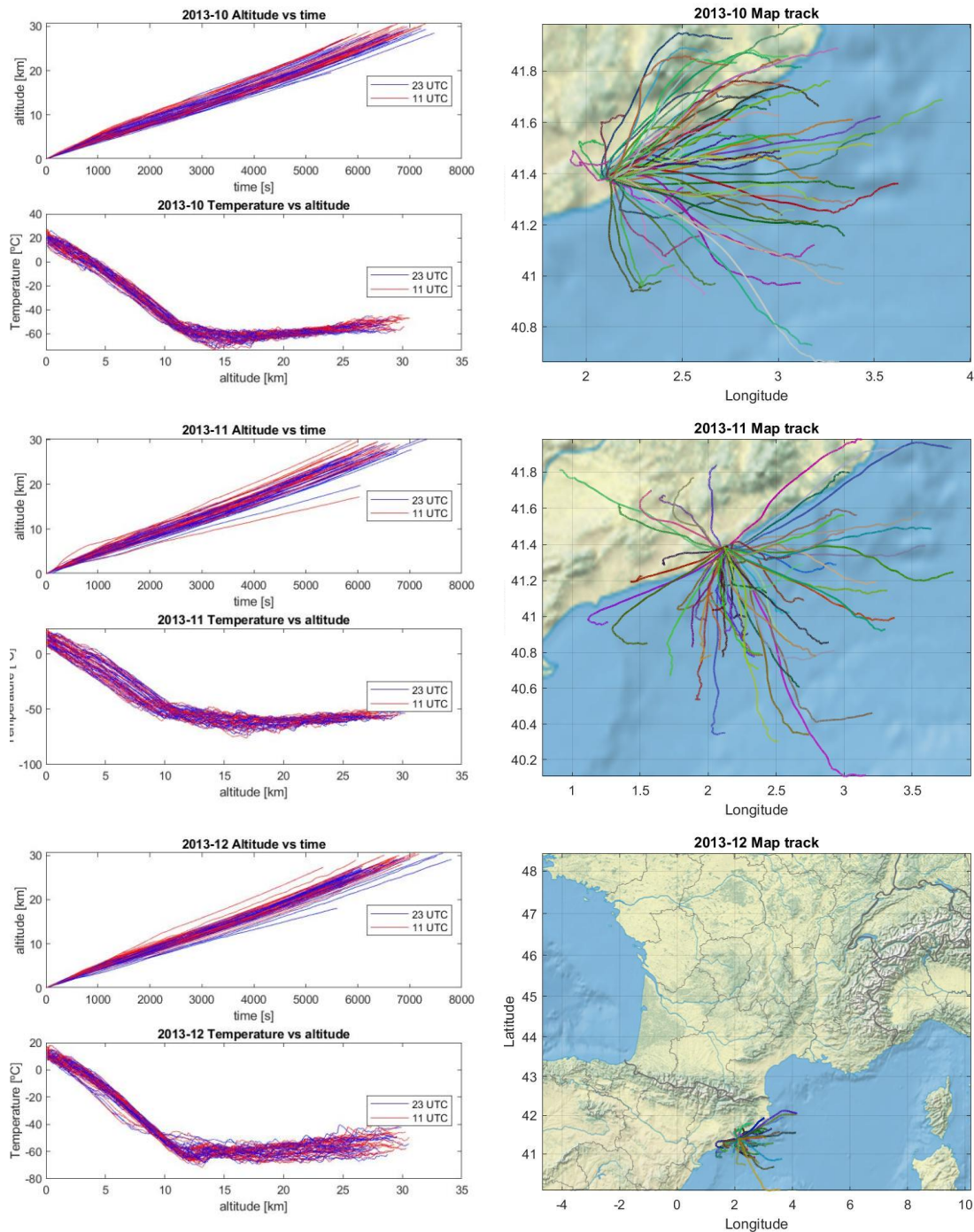
### A.2.5. Year 2013 study











**Figure 5** 2013 Month by month altitude vs time and temperature vs altitude and flight trajectory

If we look at the ascension profiles, it is seen that there's a variation in the slope in both curves, at around 11 km of altitude. This is expected, at it is the altitude of the tropopause, the boundary between the troposphere and the stratosphere layers. It is characterized by a temperature inversion (a layer of warm air above a colder one) in most places of the globe, while on others it forms a zone isothermal with altitude. It is clearly seen in both 1976 Standard Atmosphere and NRMLISE atmosphere models, seen in Figure 6:

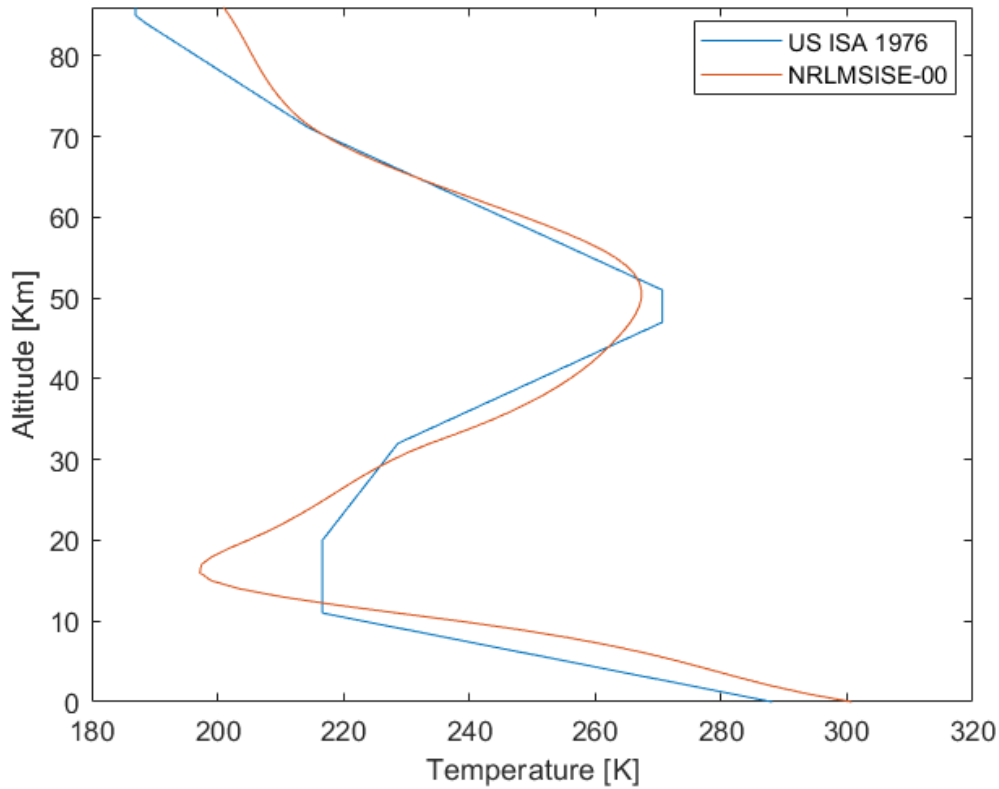


Figure 6 1976 Standard atmosphere and NRLMSISE atmosphere models

#### A.2.6. Statistical study

In order to determine if a mean for each month would be representative, a statistical study is performed month by month for each year. To do so, a population of data has been studied, in increments of 15 minutes for each launch in every month. Then, a boxplot is plotted for each population, in order to see the dispersion. In the following pages these boxplots are plotted for each year and month.

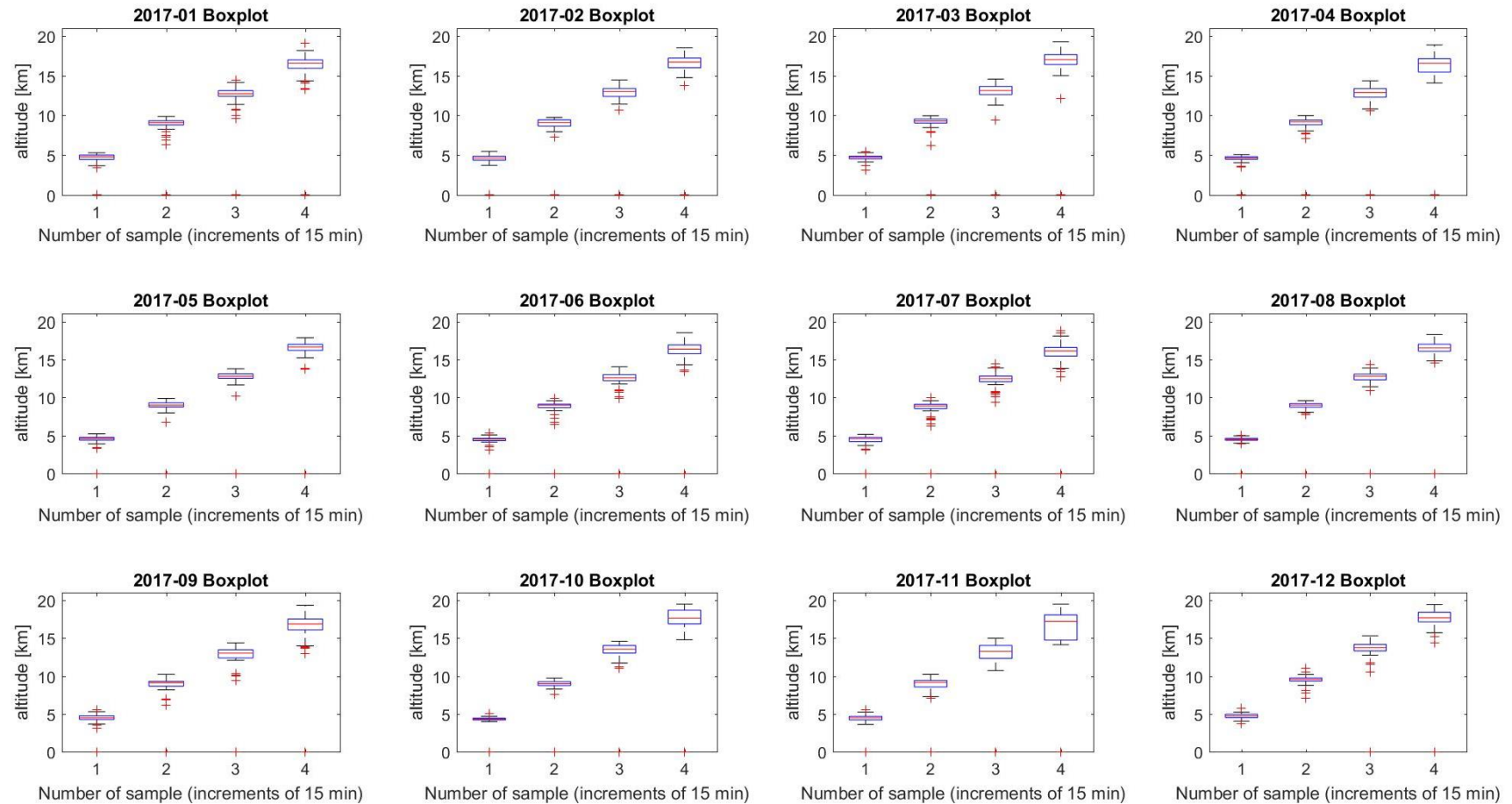


Figure 7 Year 2017 month by month statistical boxplots



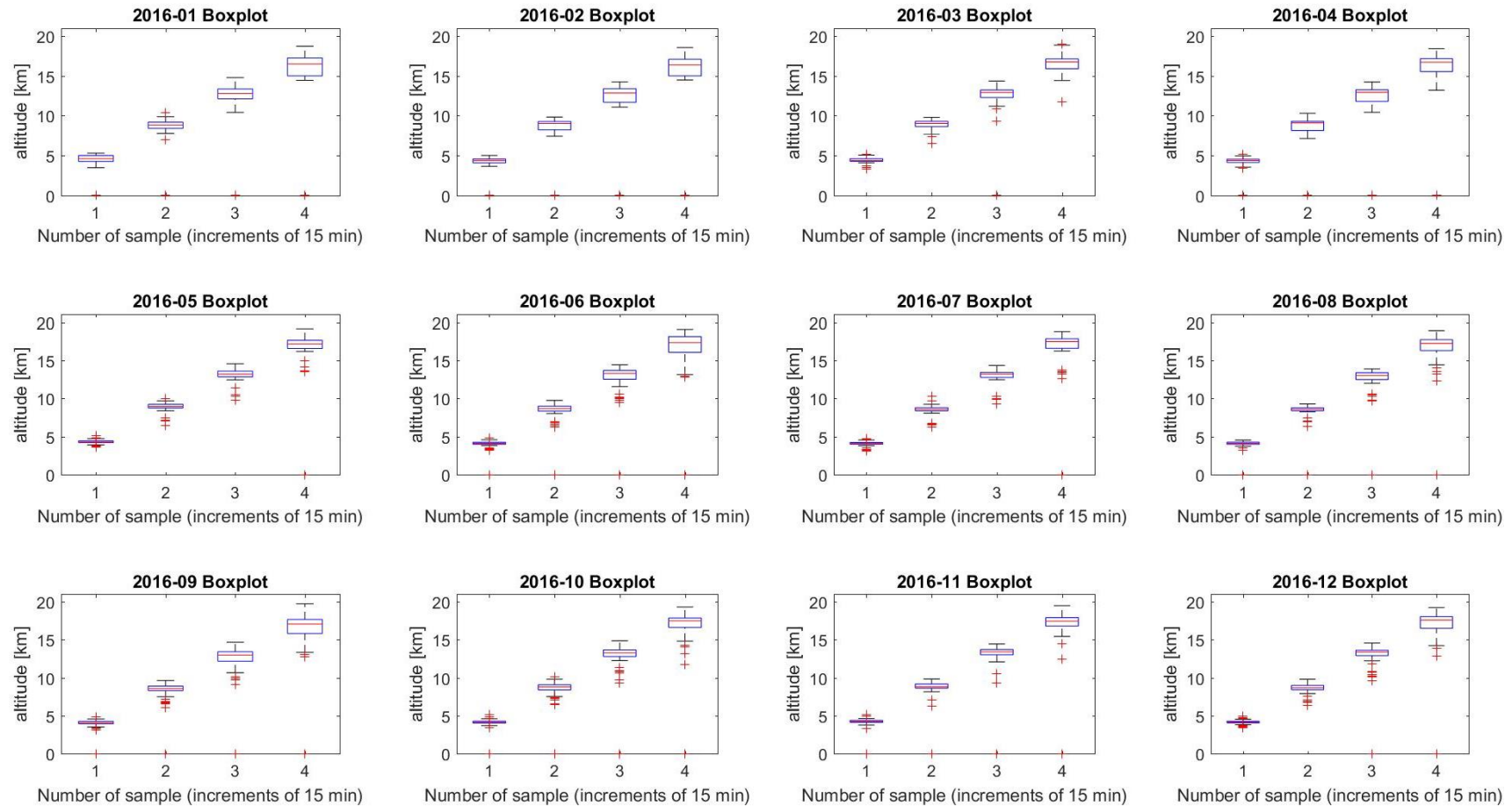


Figure 8 Year 2016 month by month statistical boxplots

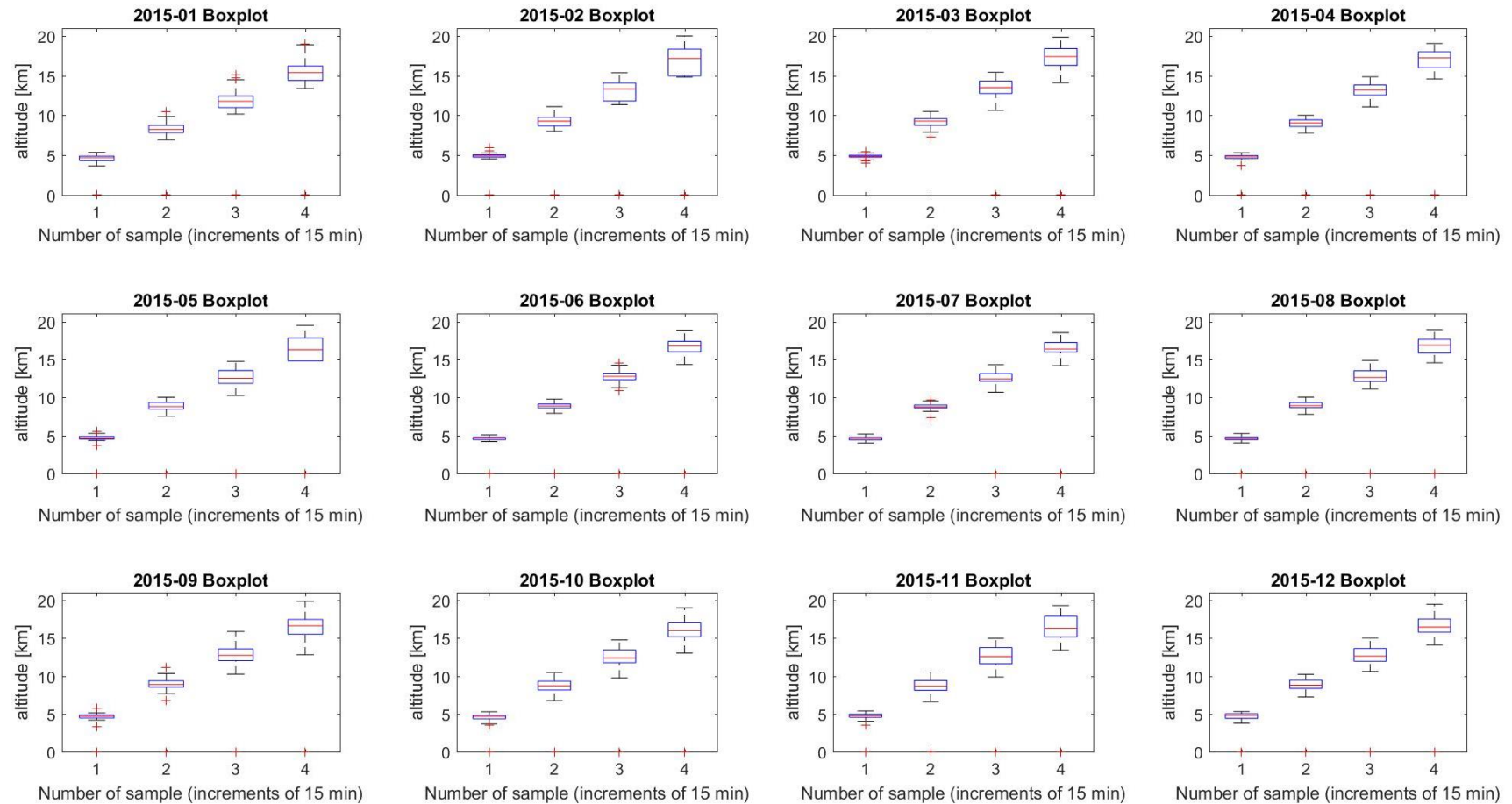


Figure 9 Year 2015 month by month statistical boxplots

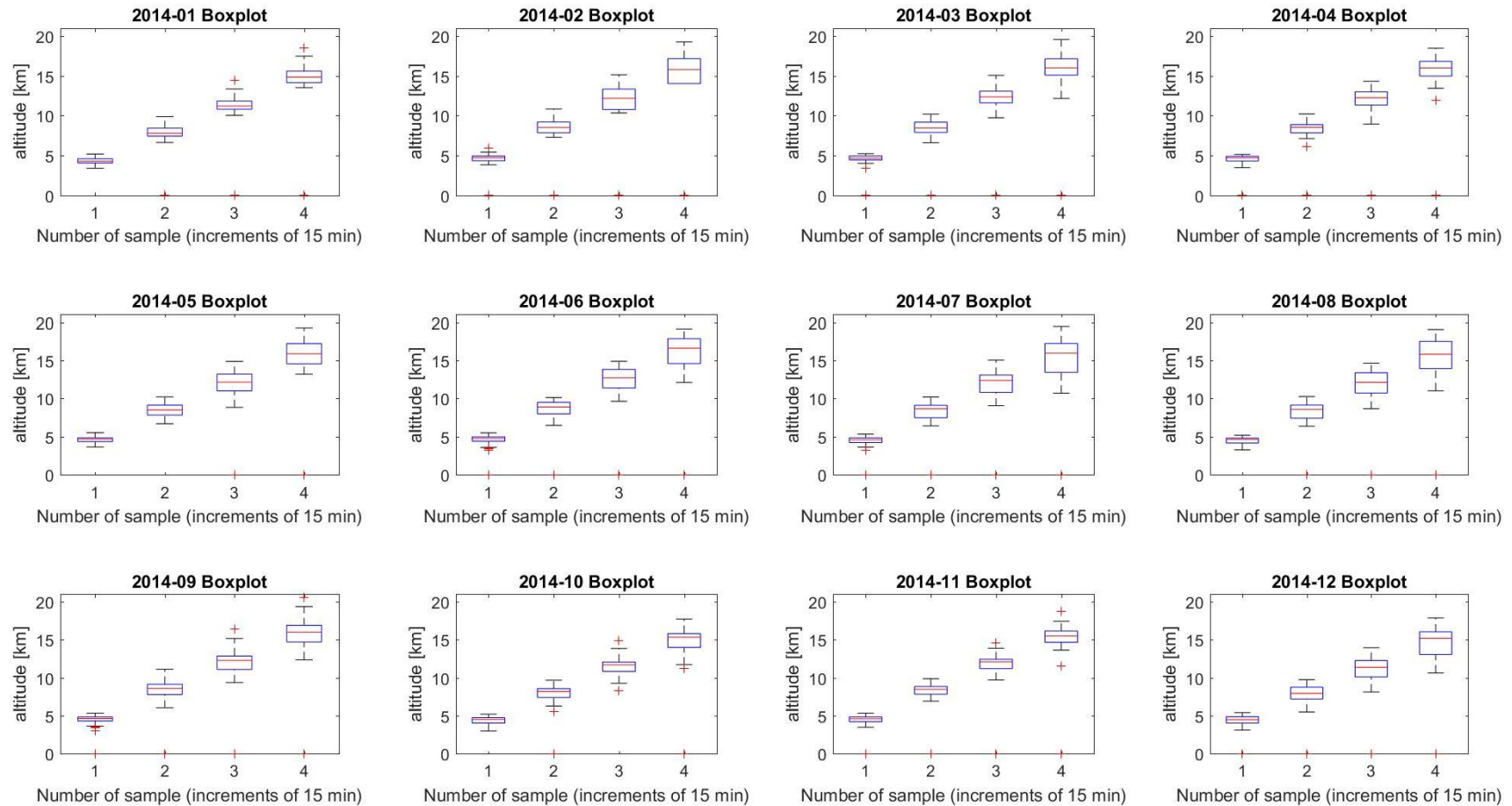


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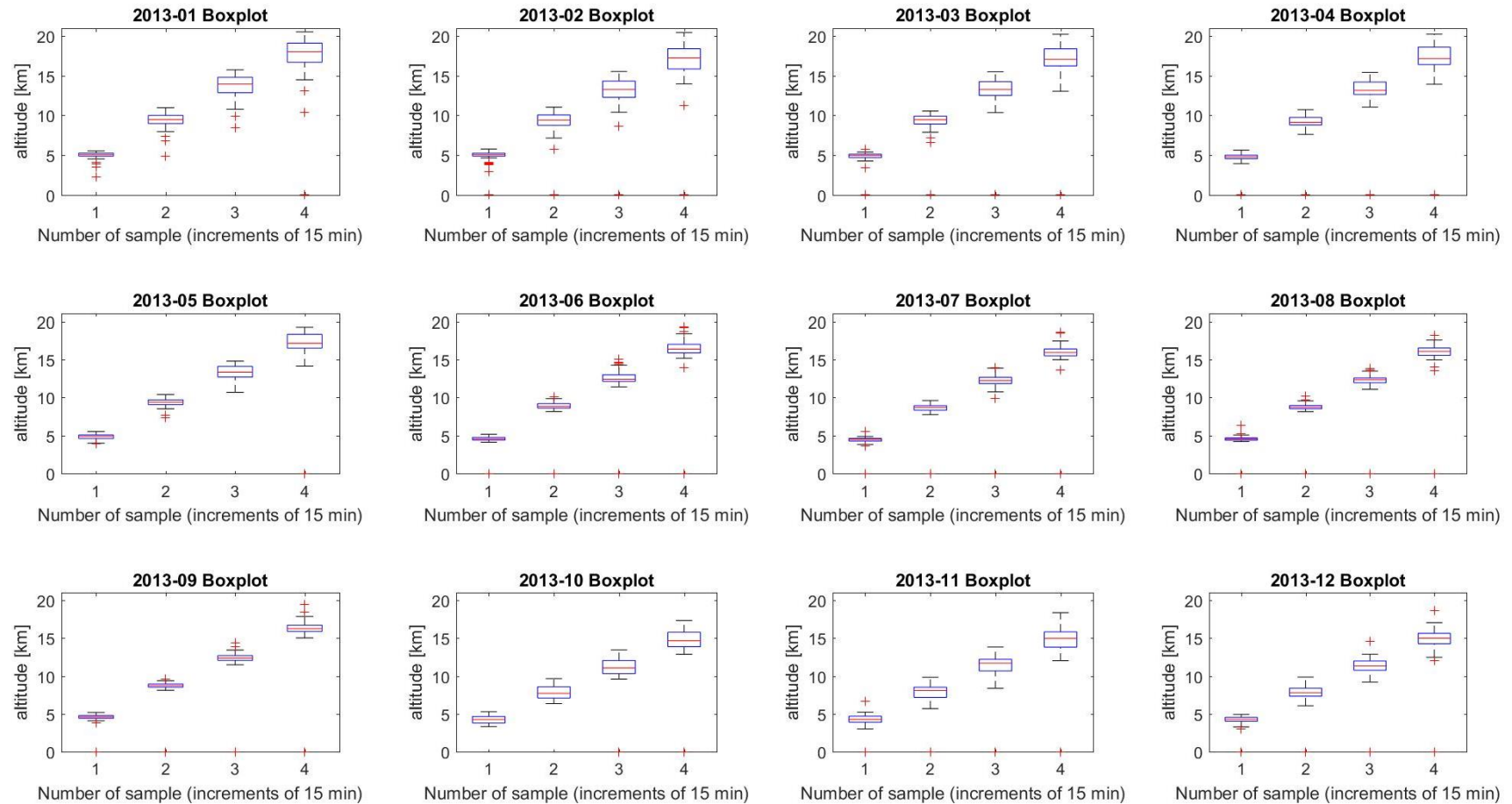


Figure 11 Year 2013 month by month statistical boxplots



It is seen that the dispersion increases as the balloon ascends, as expected (due to the different atmospheric conditions in each flight) although it is low enough to consider that the mean ascent profile for each month would be representative of the monthly launches. To be sure, the Pearson variation coefficient is calculated for each year-month and instant. Then, the maximum for each month is found and represented:

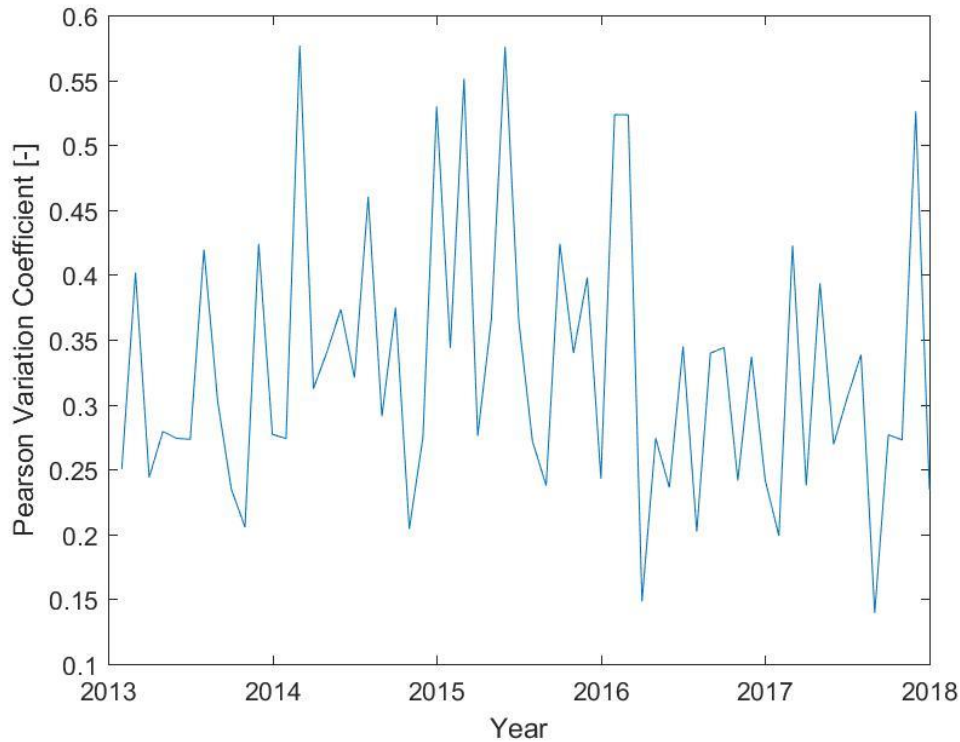


Figure 12 Pearson coefficient for studied years 2012-2017

As it is seen, the maximum is set at 57% while most oscile between 20% and 40%. This means the dispersions are low enough to make the means representative.

### A.3. Final simulations fit

In this chapter, the pool of simulations for every studied launch is plotted and next the final simulation fit for each case.

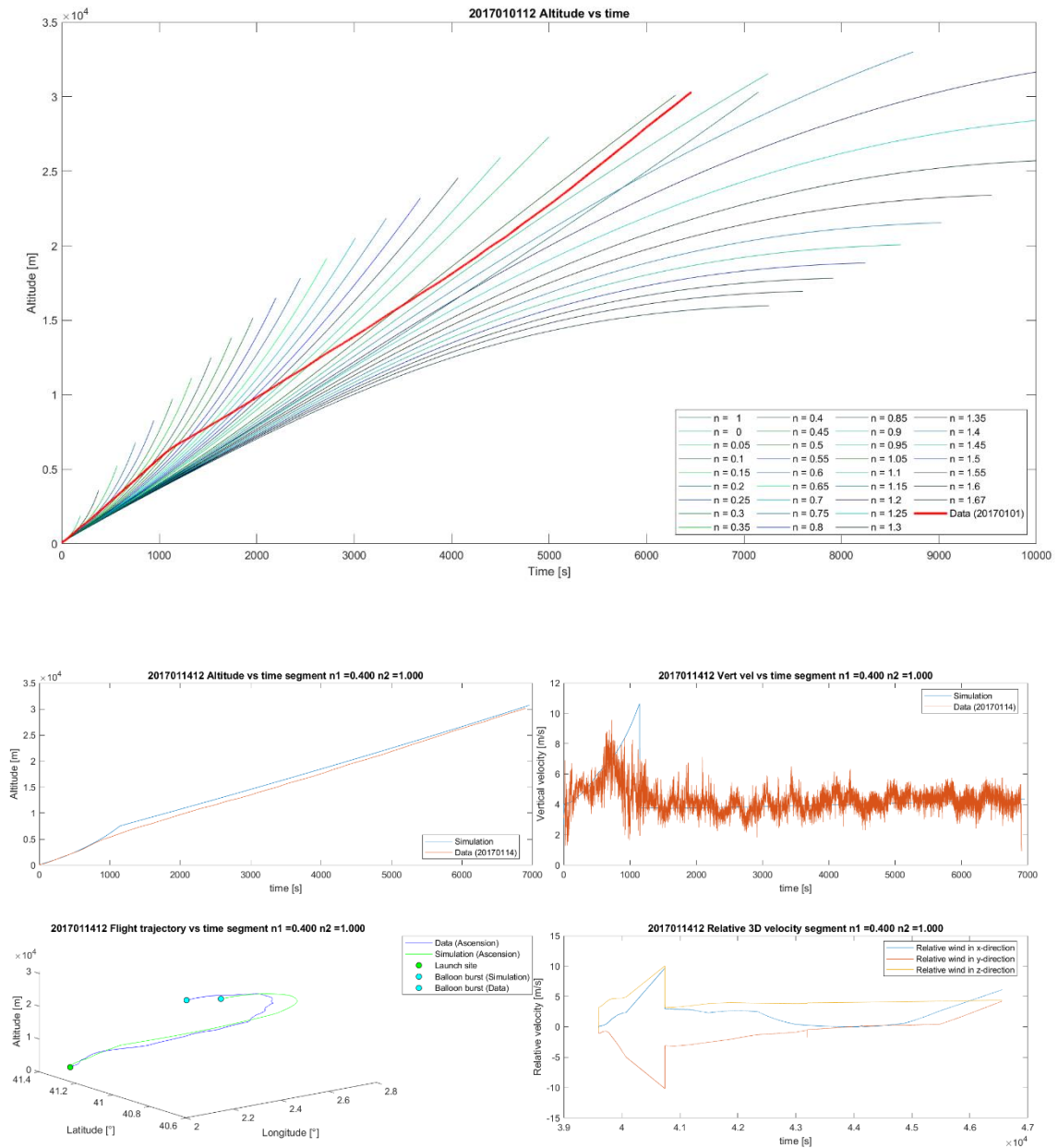


Figure 13 Fit for launch at 01/01/2017 11 UTC

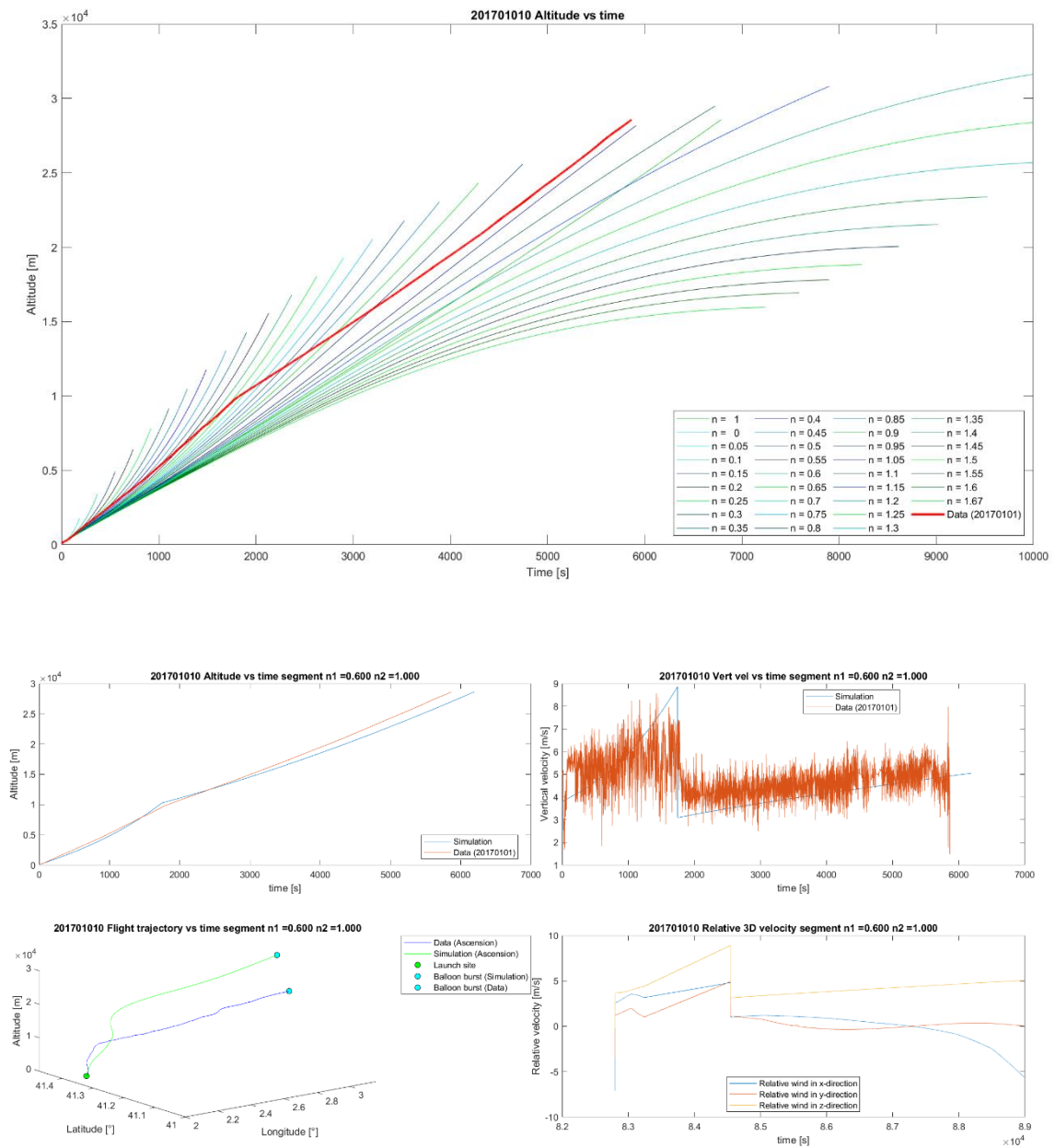


Figure 14 Fit for launch at 01/01/2017 23 UTC

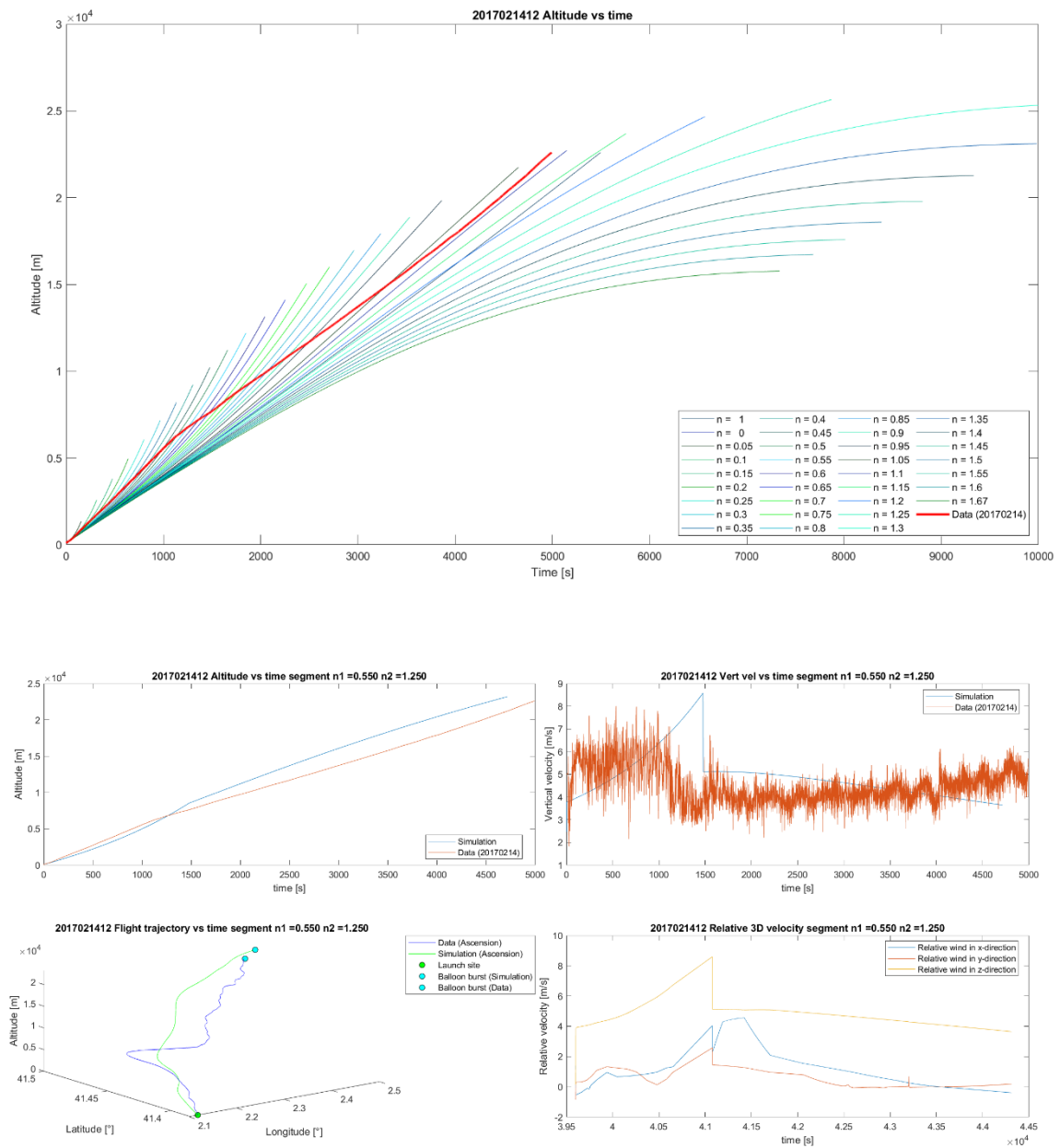


Figure 15 Fit for launch at 14/02/2017 11 UTC



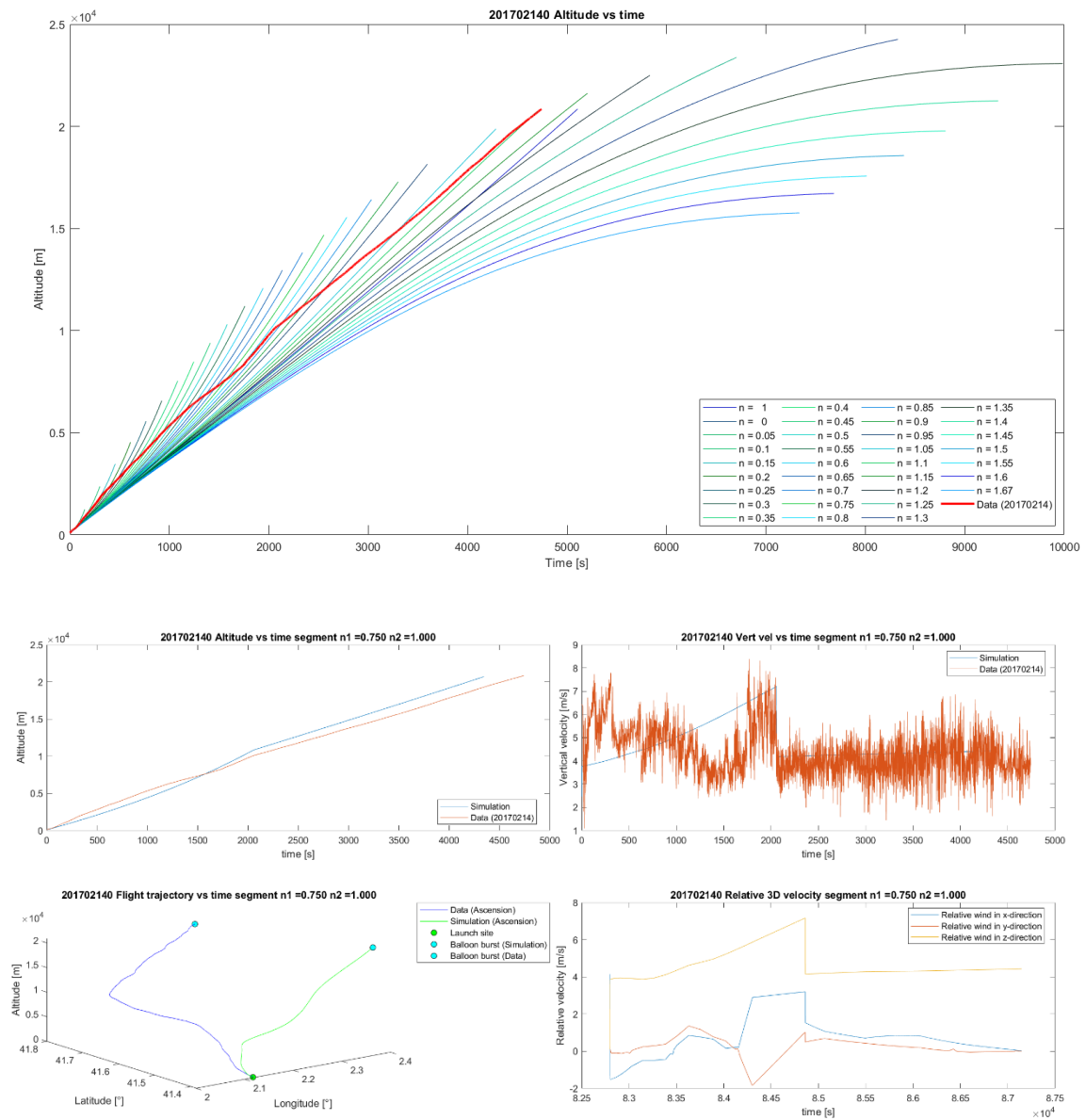


Figure 16 Fit for launch at 14/02/2017 23 UTC

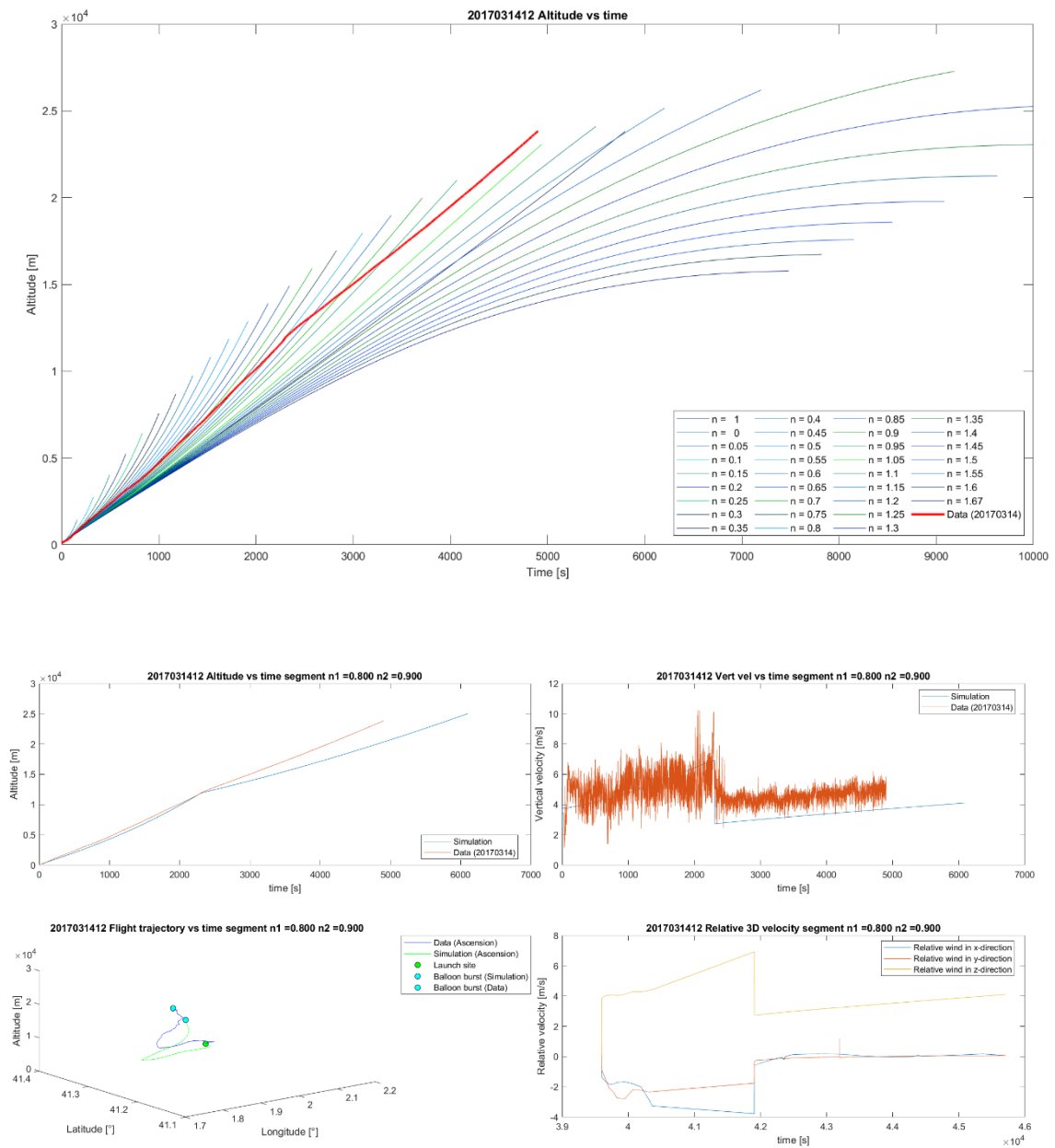


Figure 17 Fit for launch at 14/03/2017 11 UTC

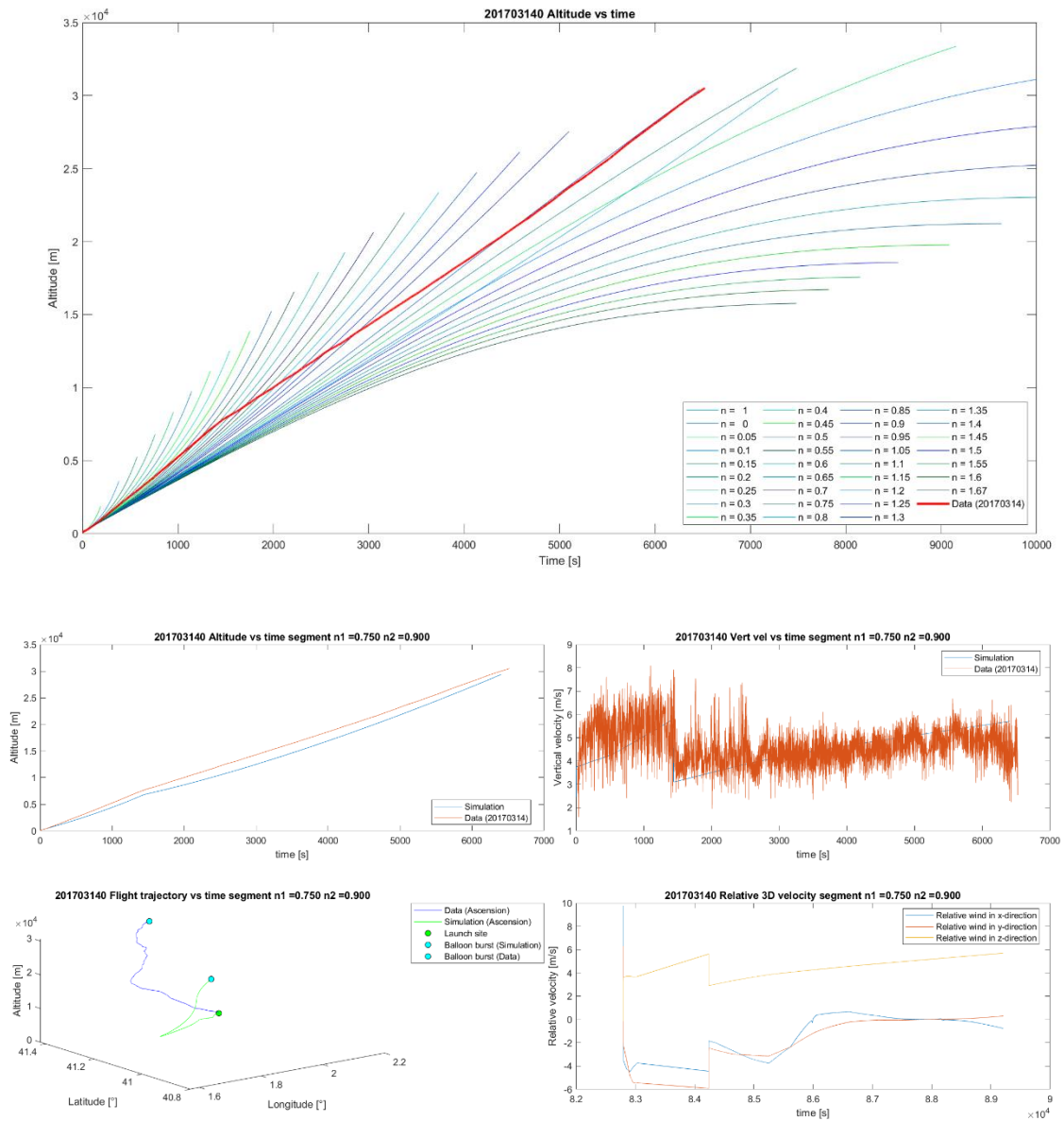


Figure 18 Fit for launch at 14/03/2017 23 UTC

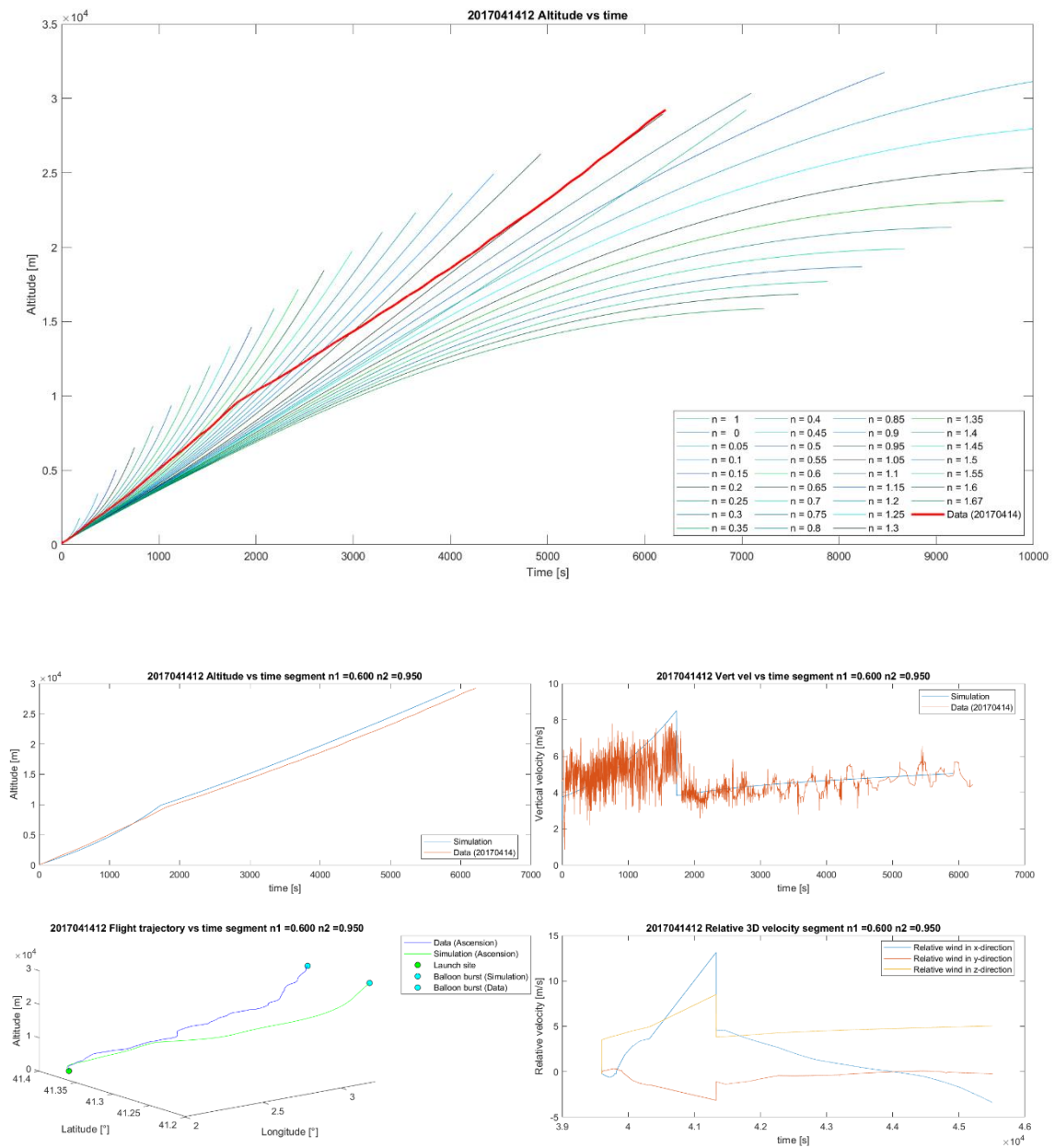


Figure 19 Fit for launch at 14/04/2017 11 UTC



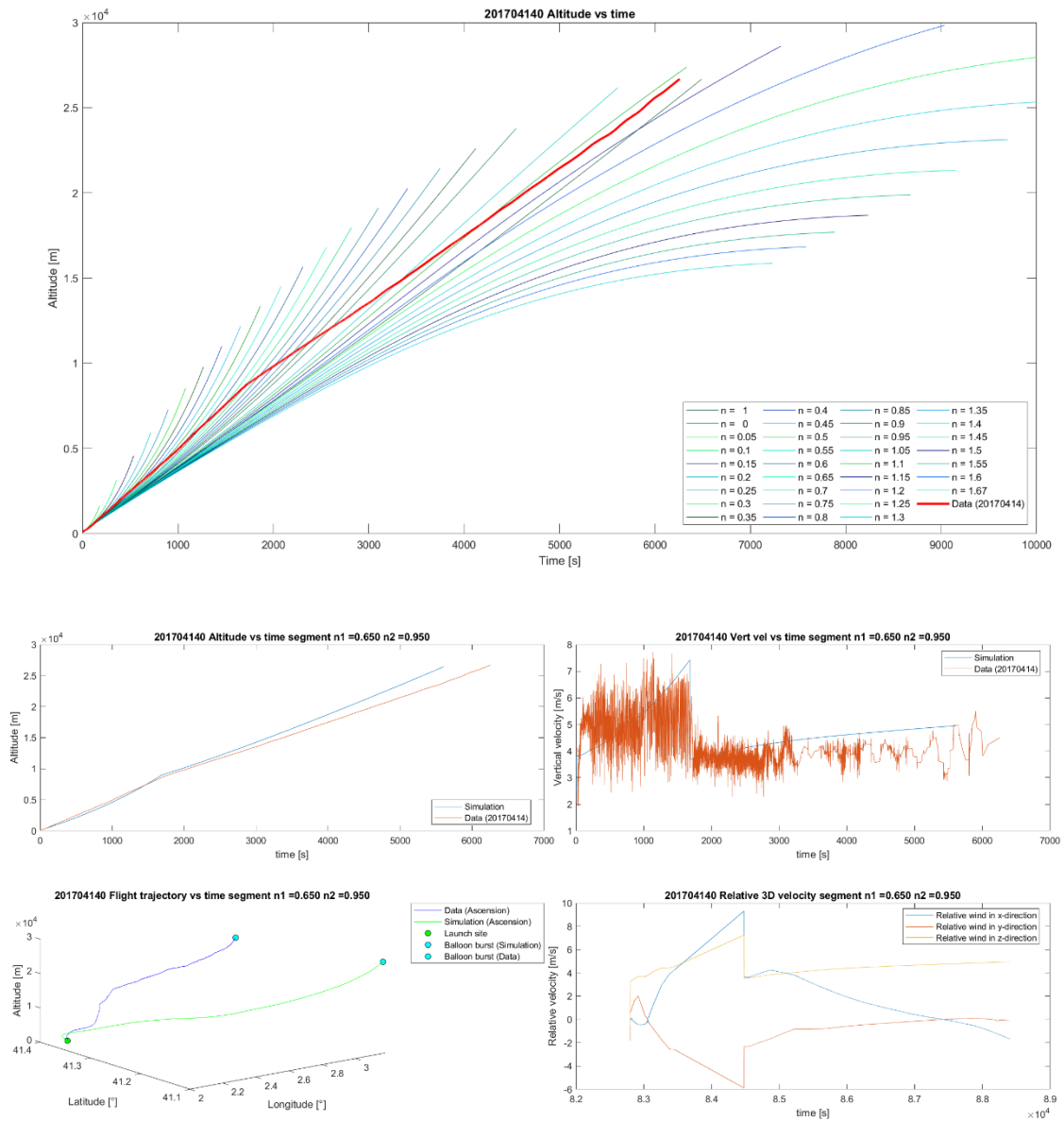


Figure 20 Fit for launch at 14/04/2017 23 UTC

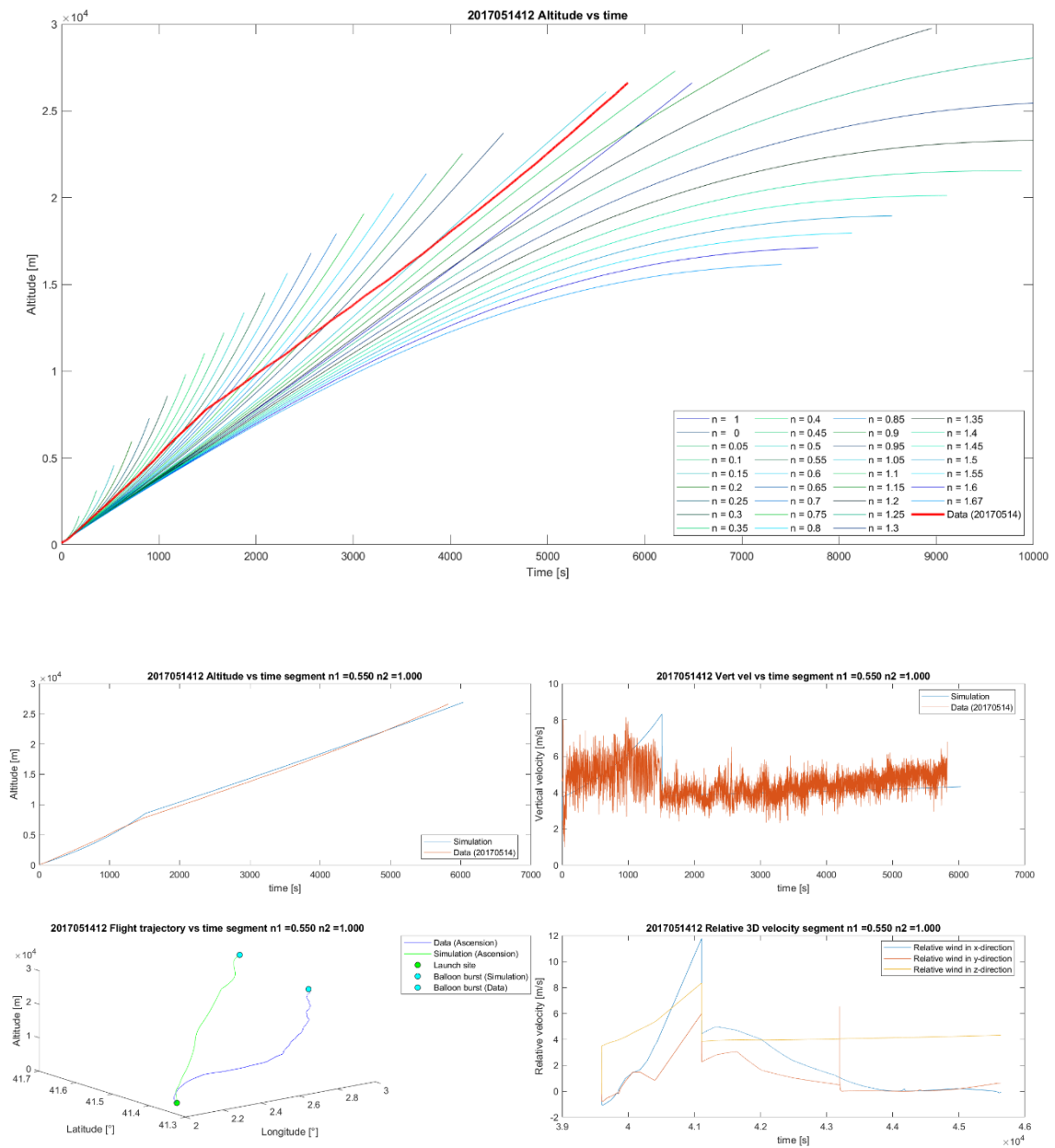


Figure 21 Fit for launch at 14/05/2017 11 UTC

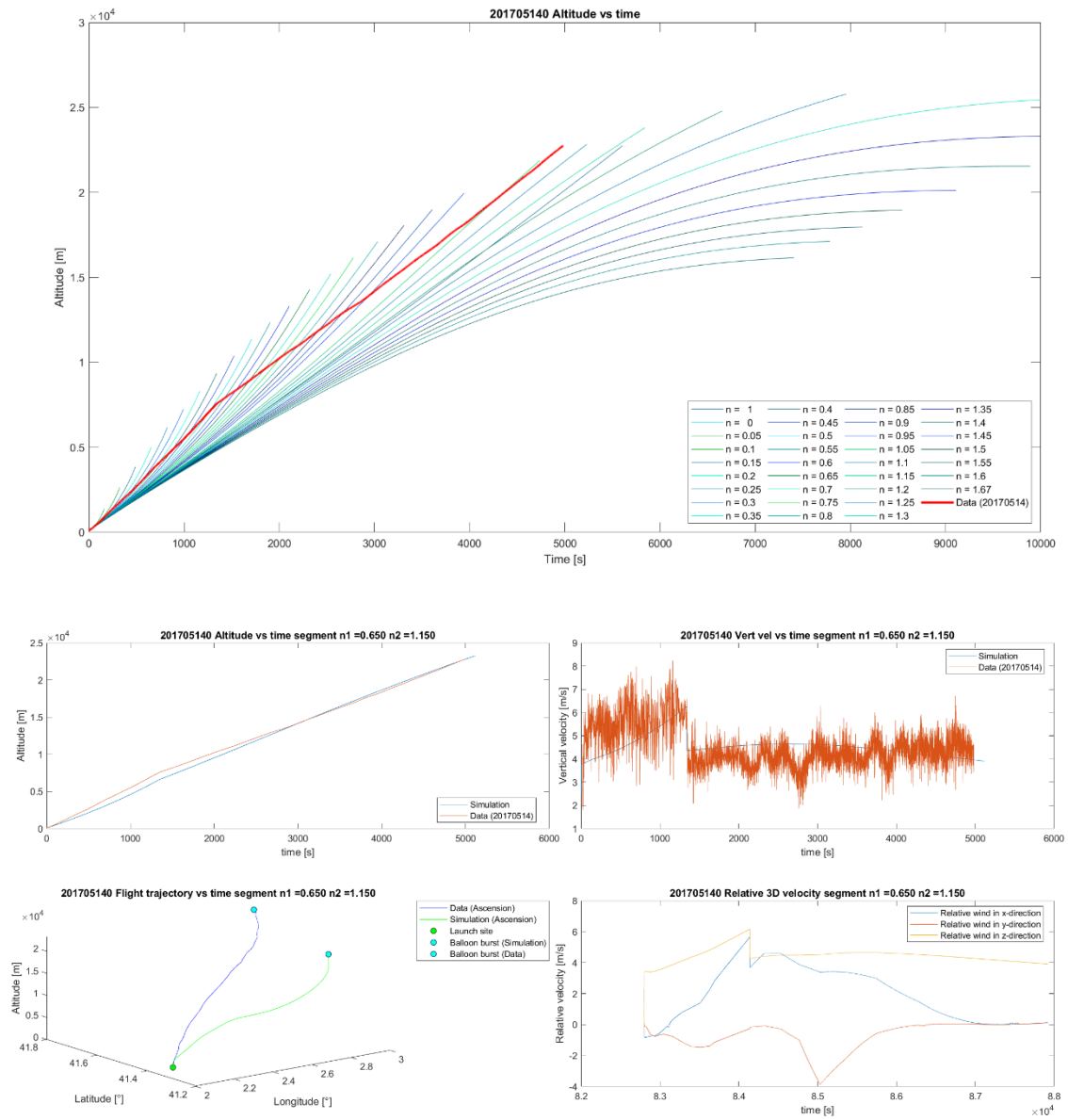


Figure 22 Fit for launch at 14/05/2017 23 UTC

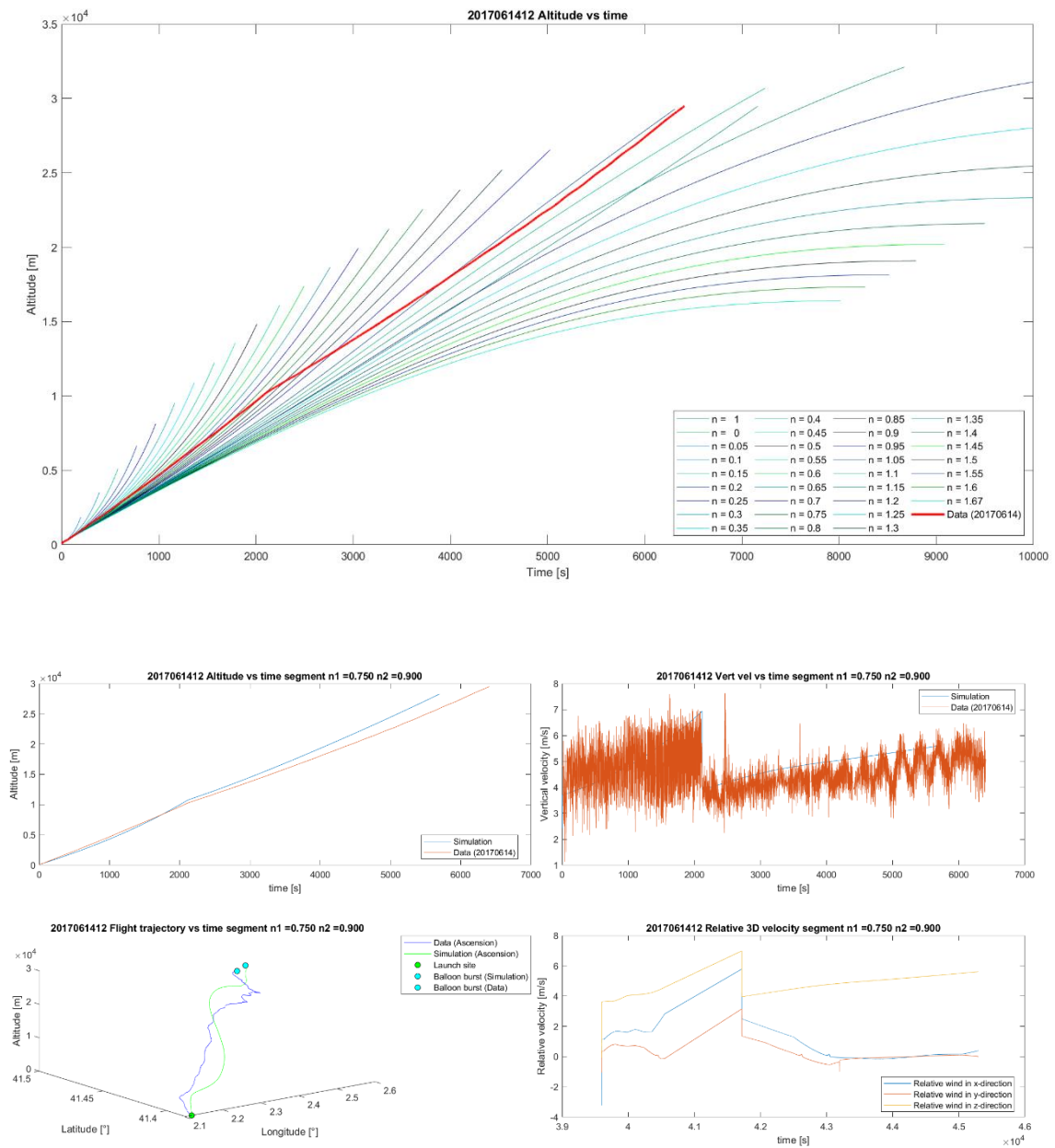


Figure 23 Fit for launch at 14/06/2017 11 UTC



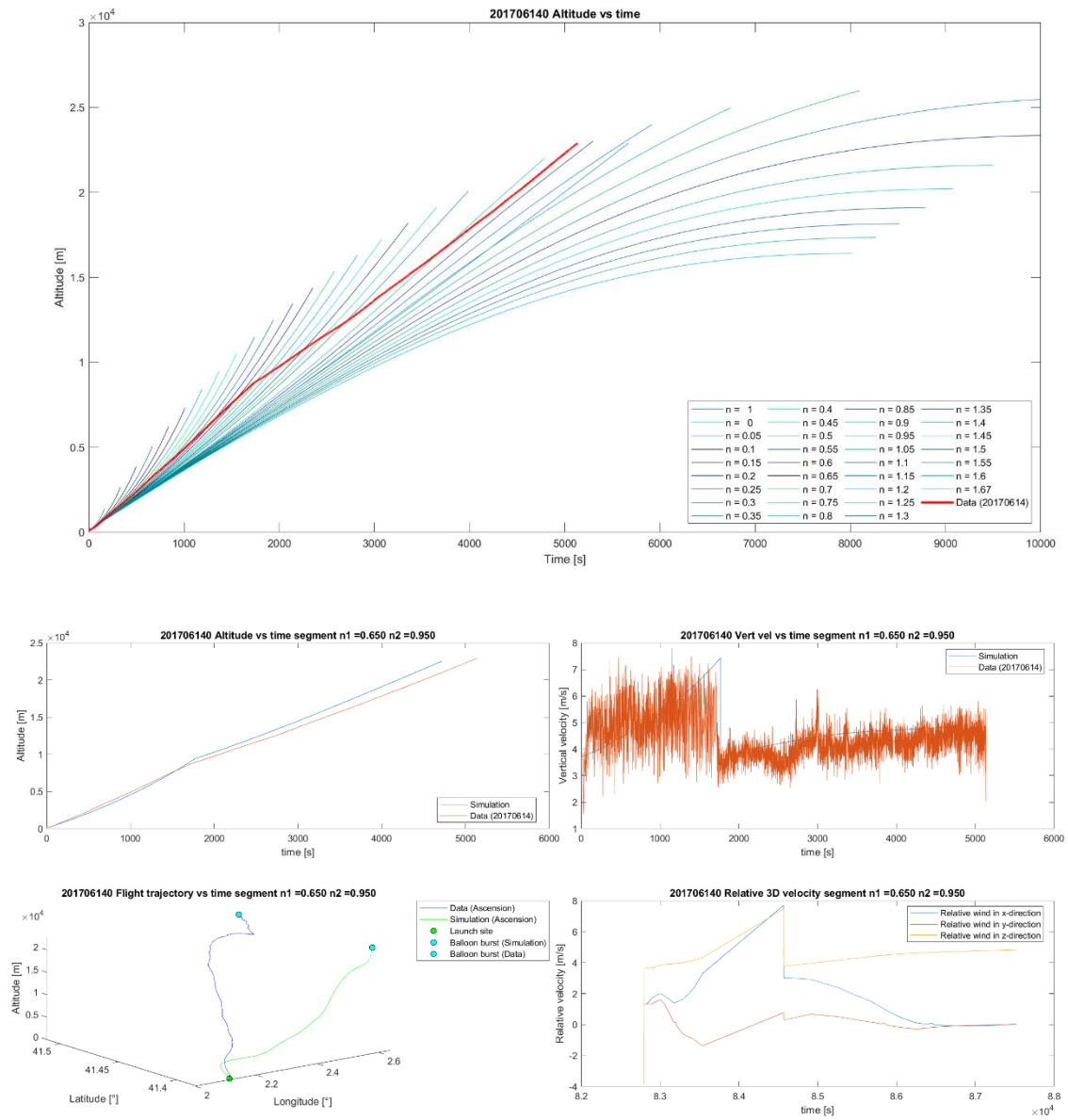


Figure 24 Fit for launch at 14/06/2017 23 UTC

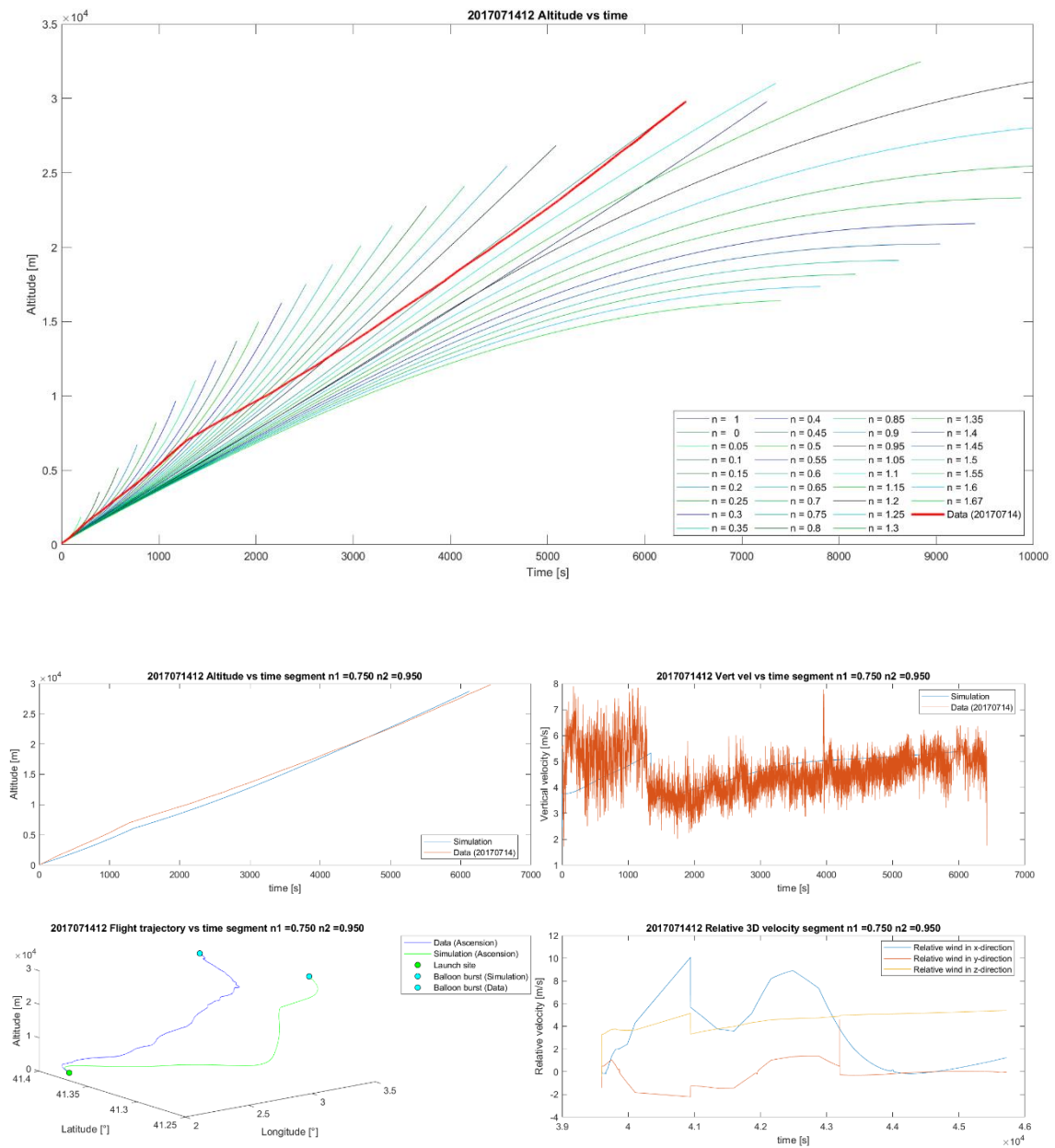


Figure 25 Fit for launch at 14/07/2017 11 UTC

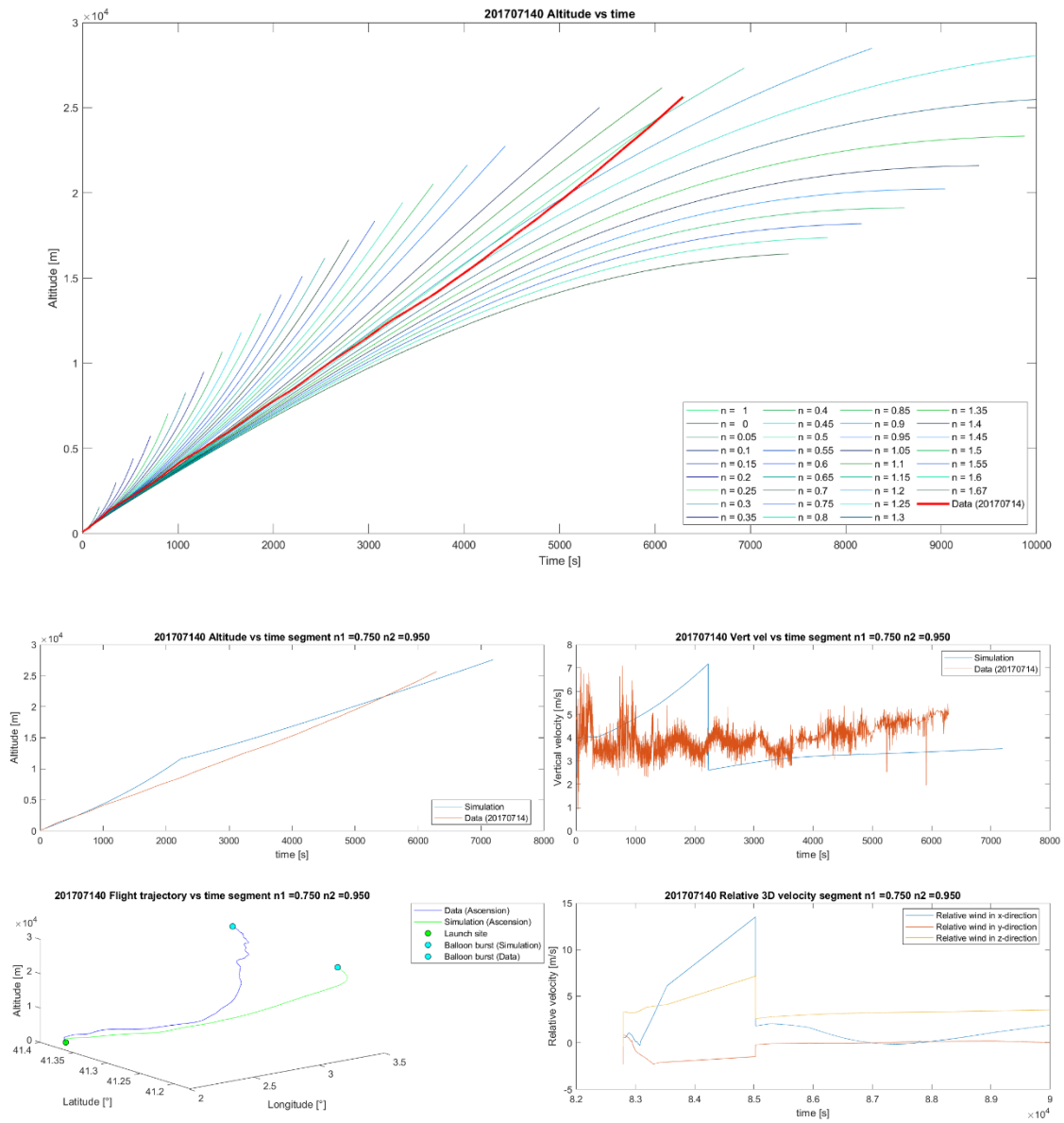


Figure 26 Fit for launch at 14/07/2017 23 UTC

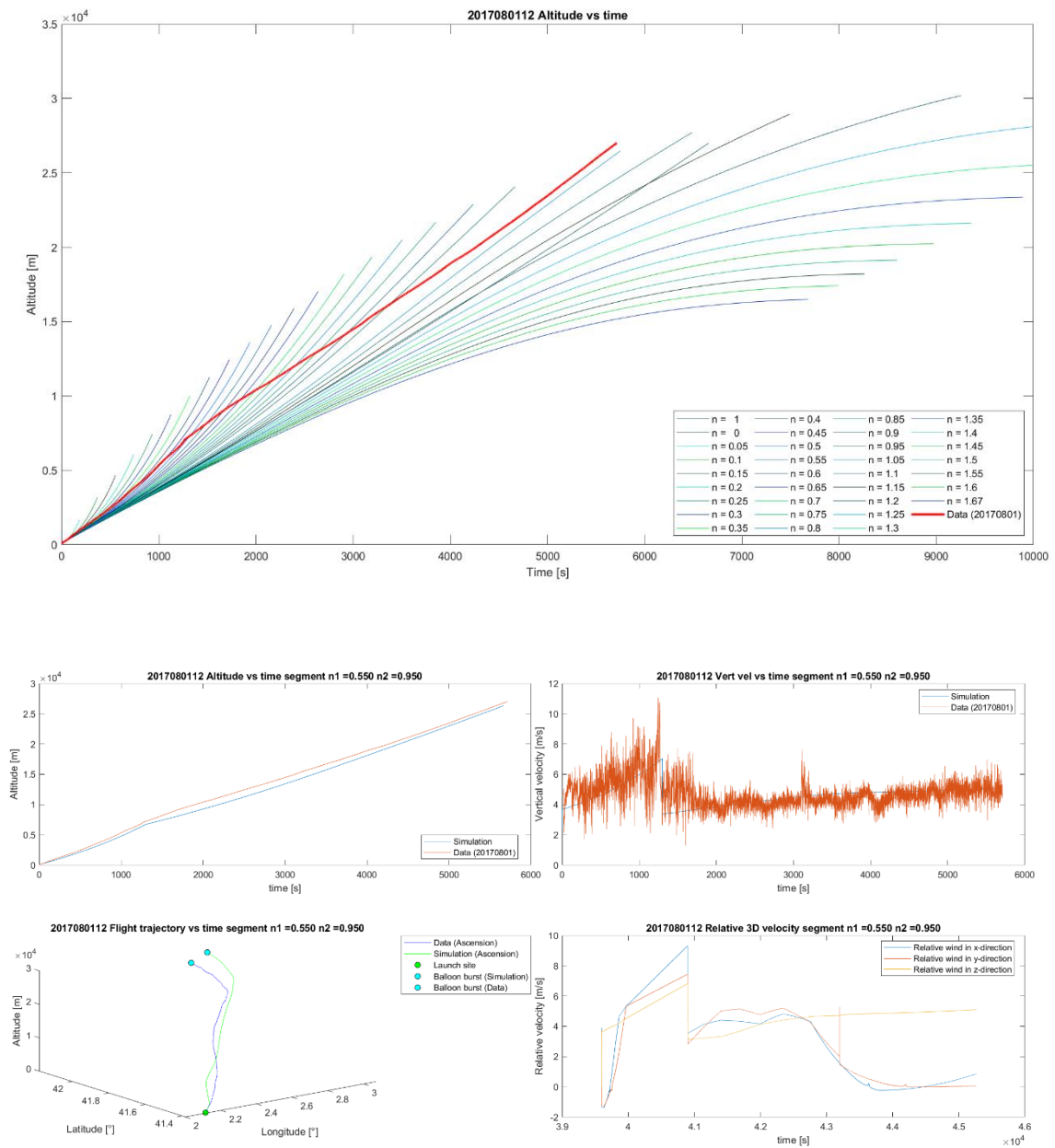


Figure 27 Fit for launch at 01/08/2017 11 UTC



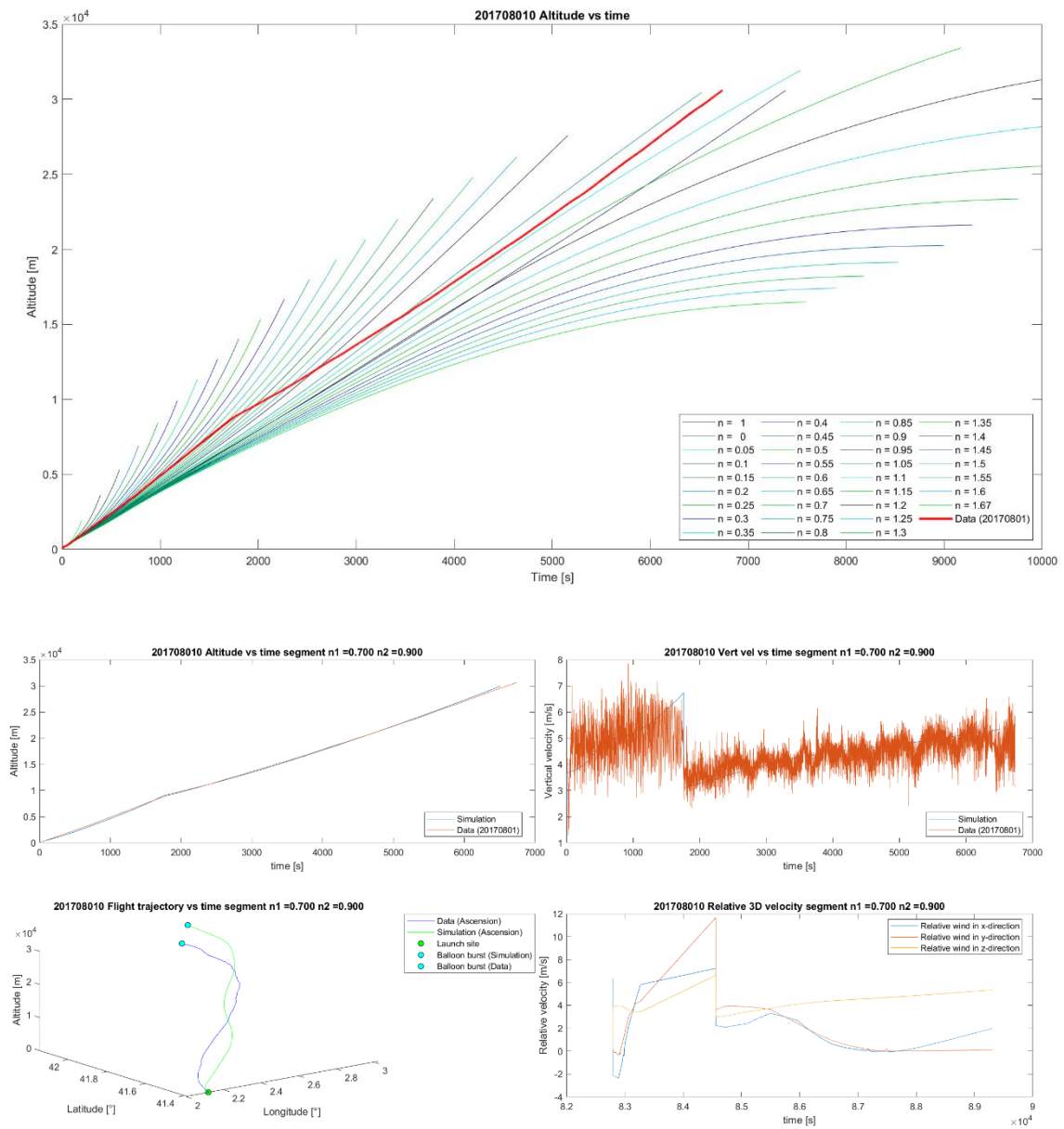


Figure 28 Fit for launch at 01/08/2017 23 UTC

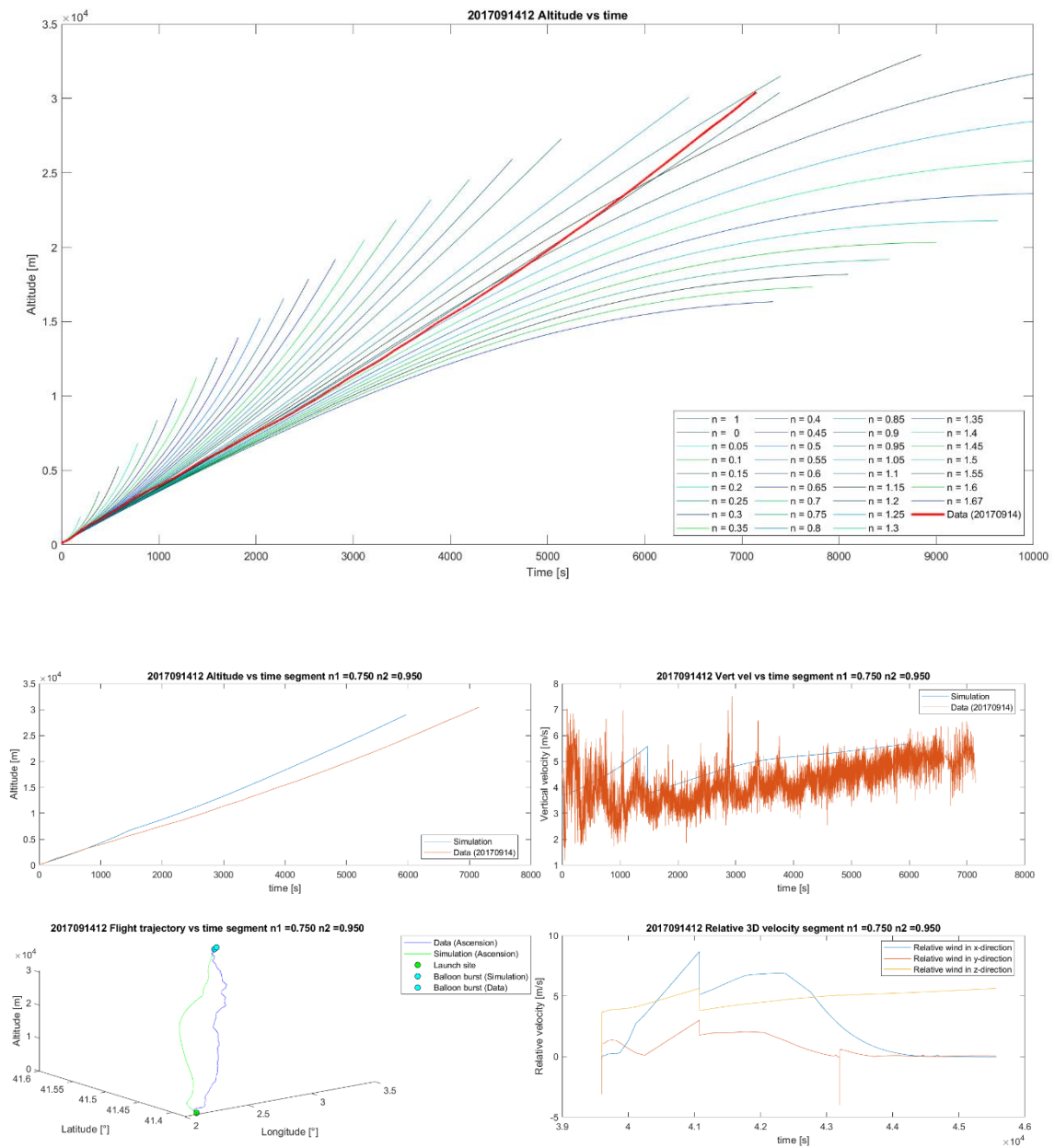


Figure 29 Fit for launch at 14/09/2017 11 UTC

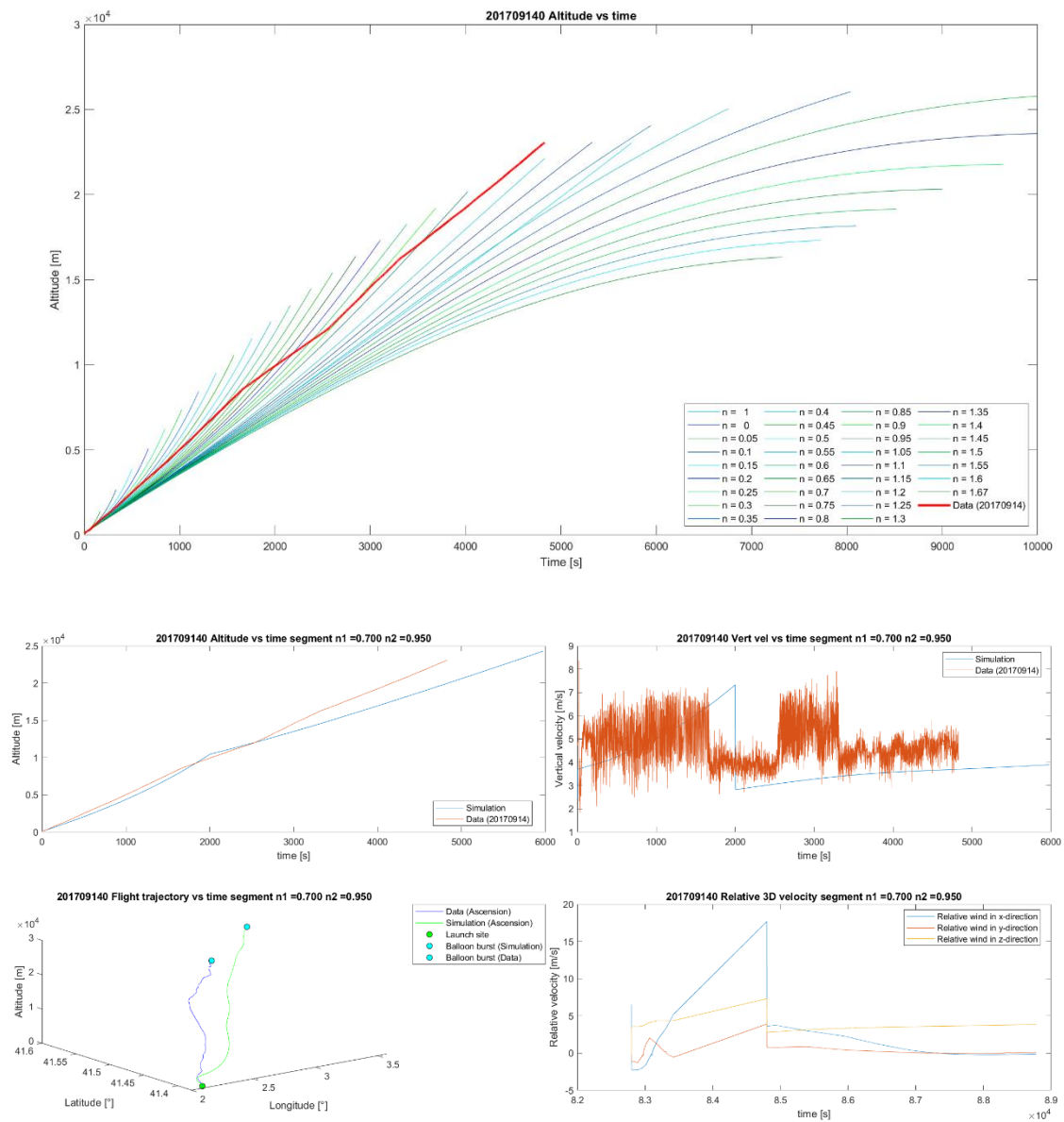


Figure 30 Fit for launch at 14/09/2017 23 UTC

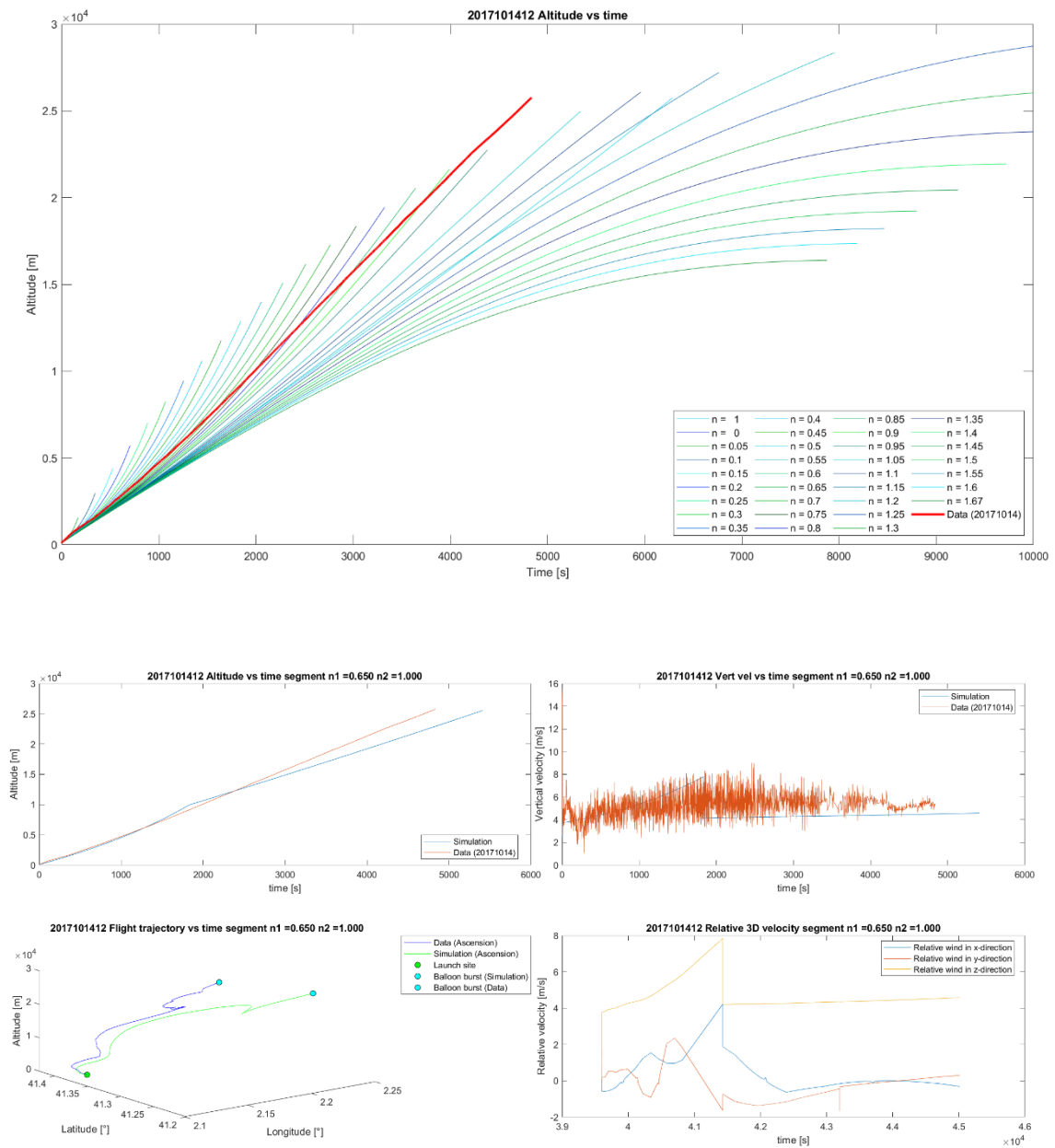


Figure 31 Fit for launch at 14/10/2017 11 UTC



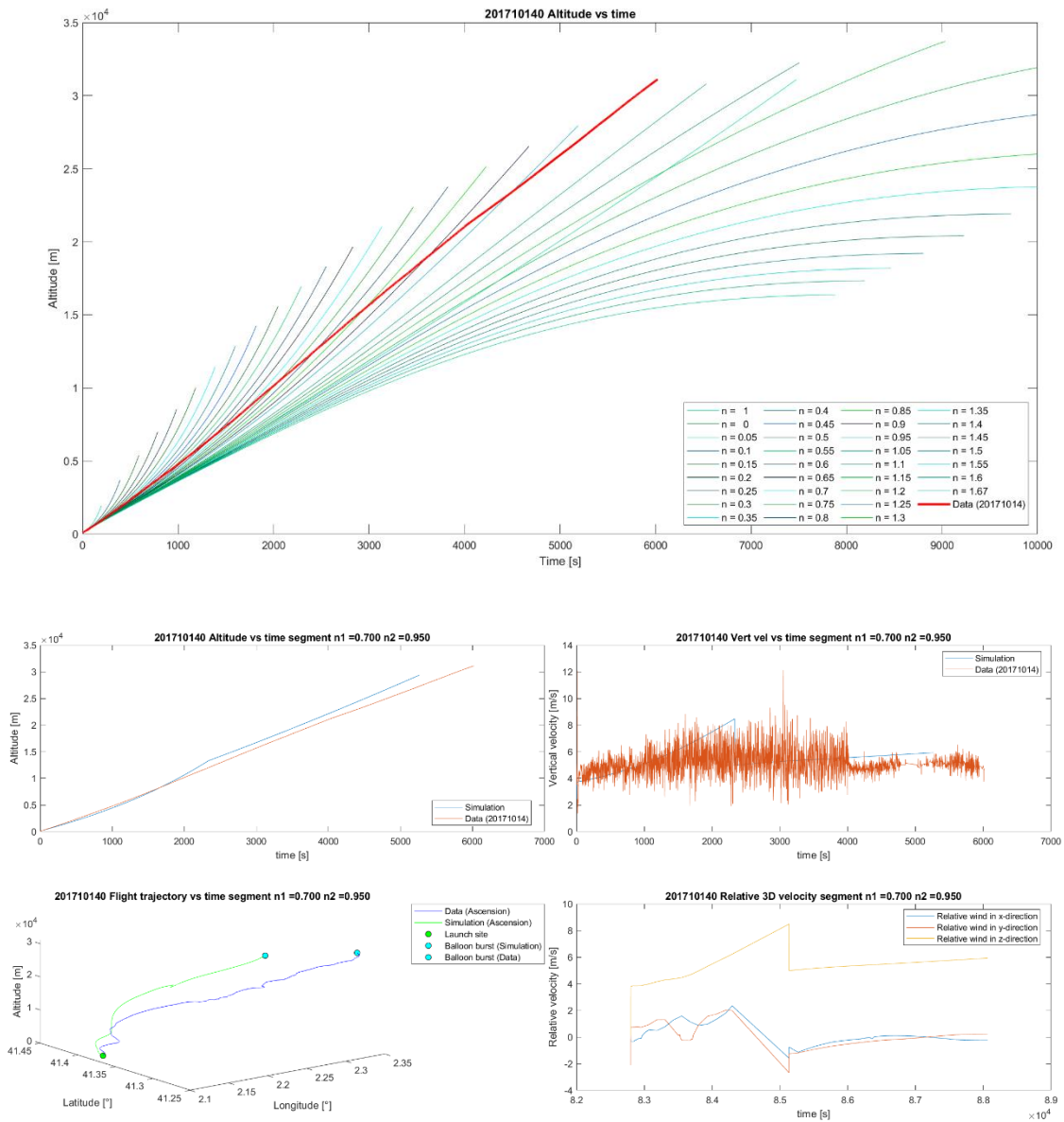


Figure 32 Fit for launch at 14/10/2017 23 UTC

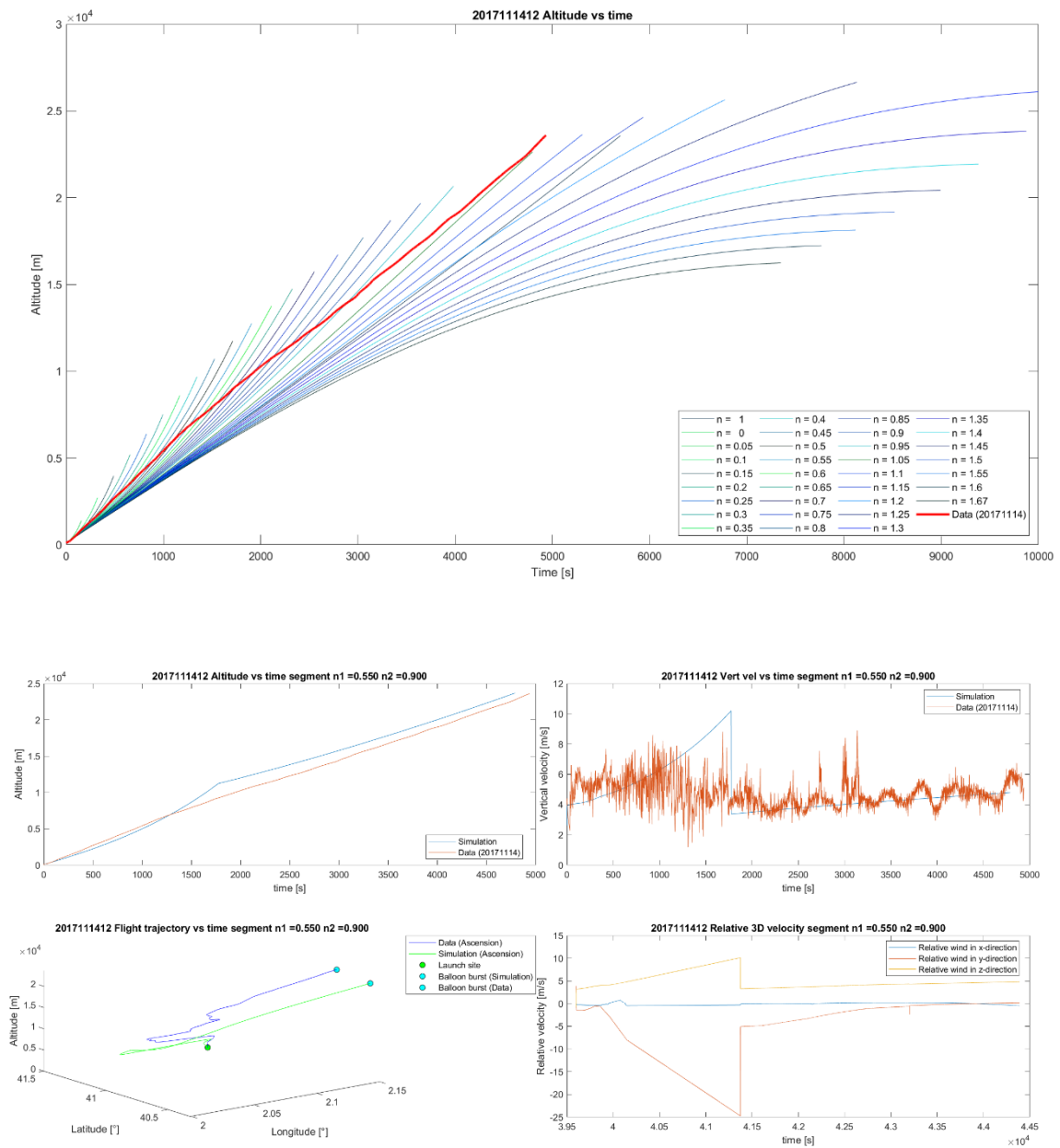


Figure 33 Fit for launch at 14/11/2017 11 UTC

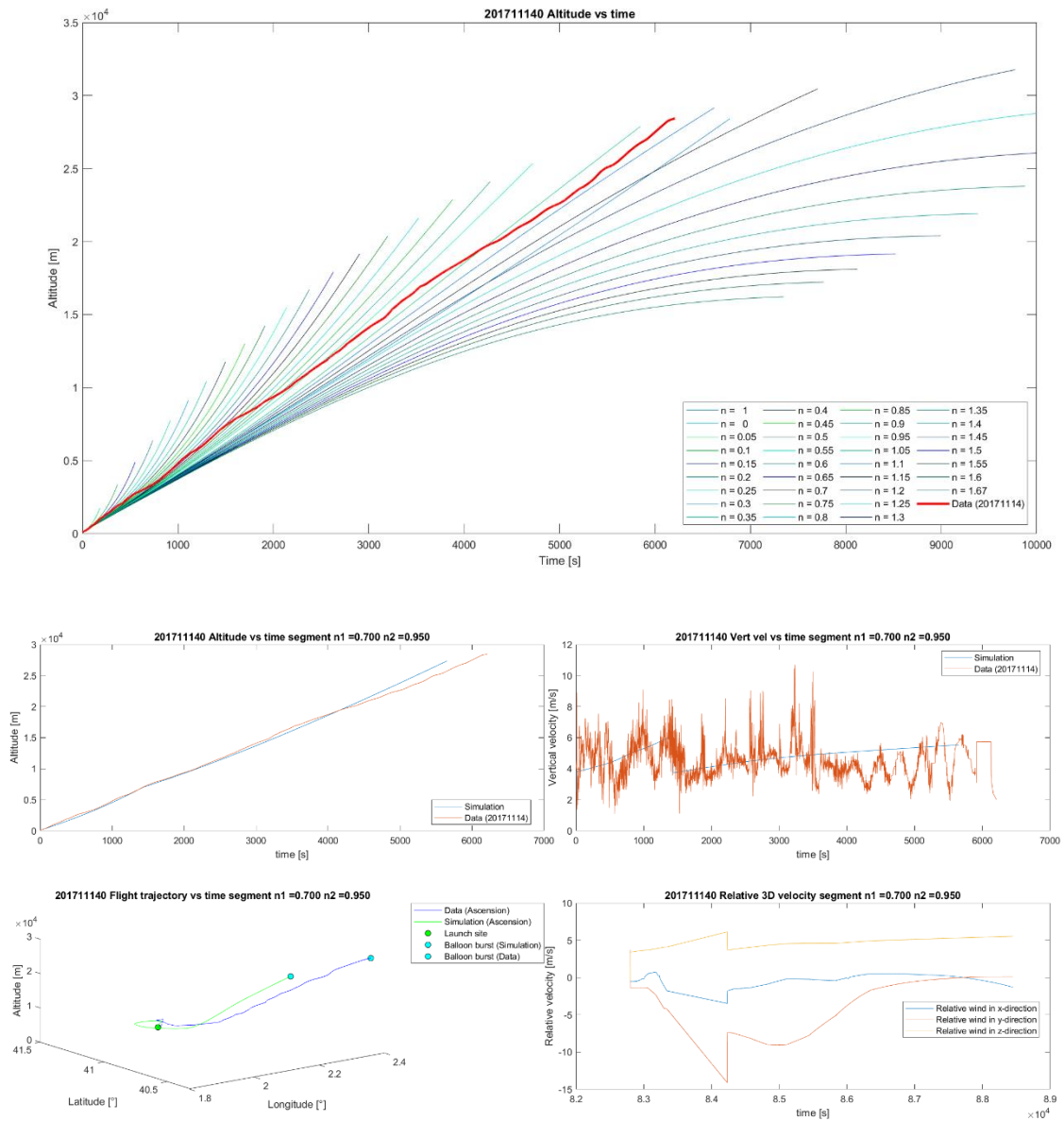


Figure 34 Fit for launch at 14/11/2017 23 UTC

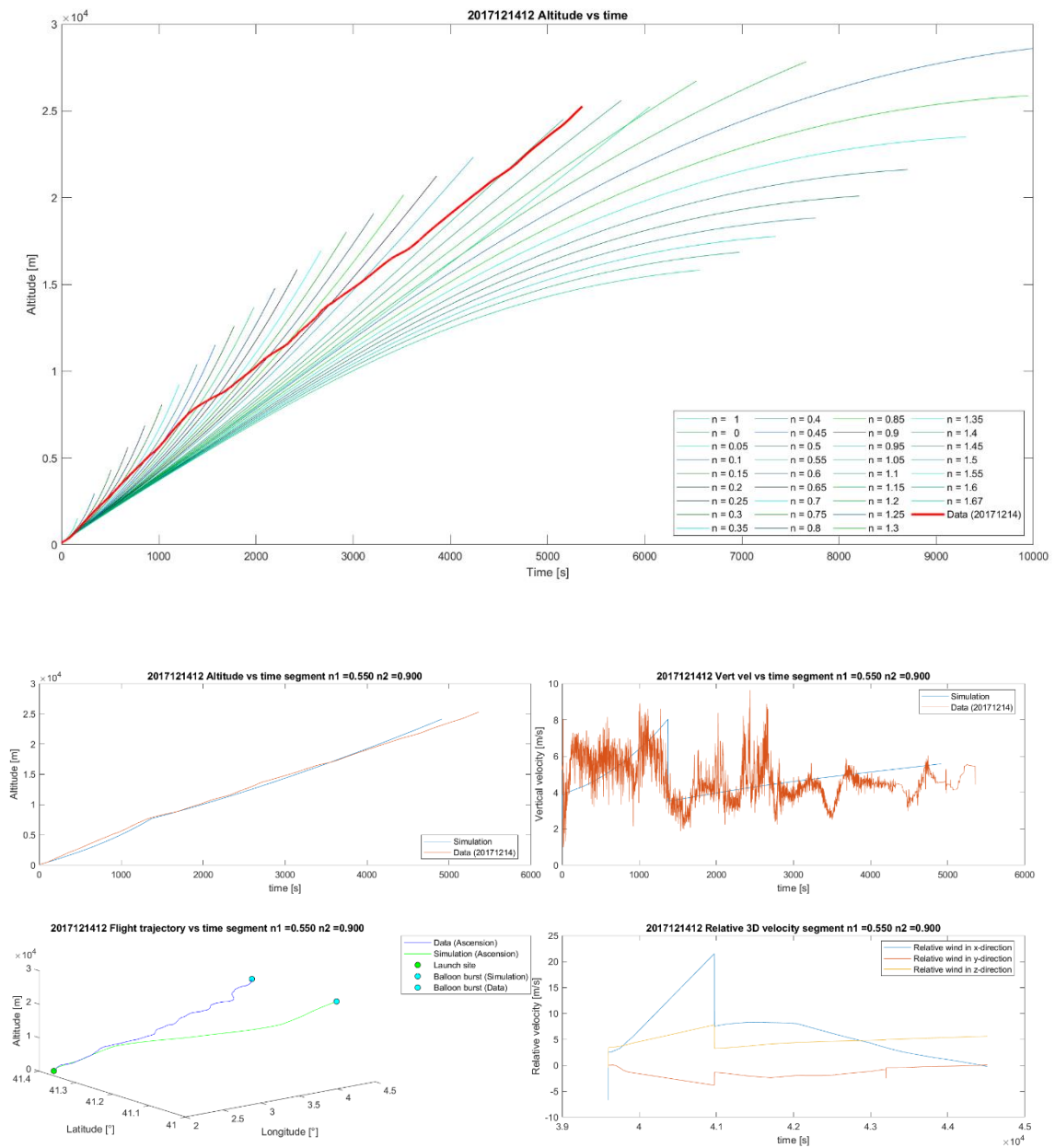


Figure 35 Fit for launch at 14/12/2017 11 UTC

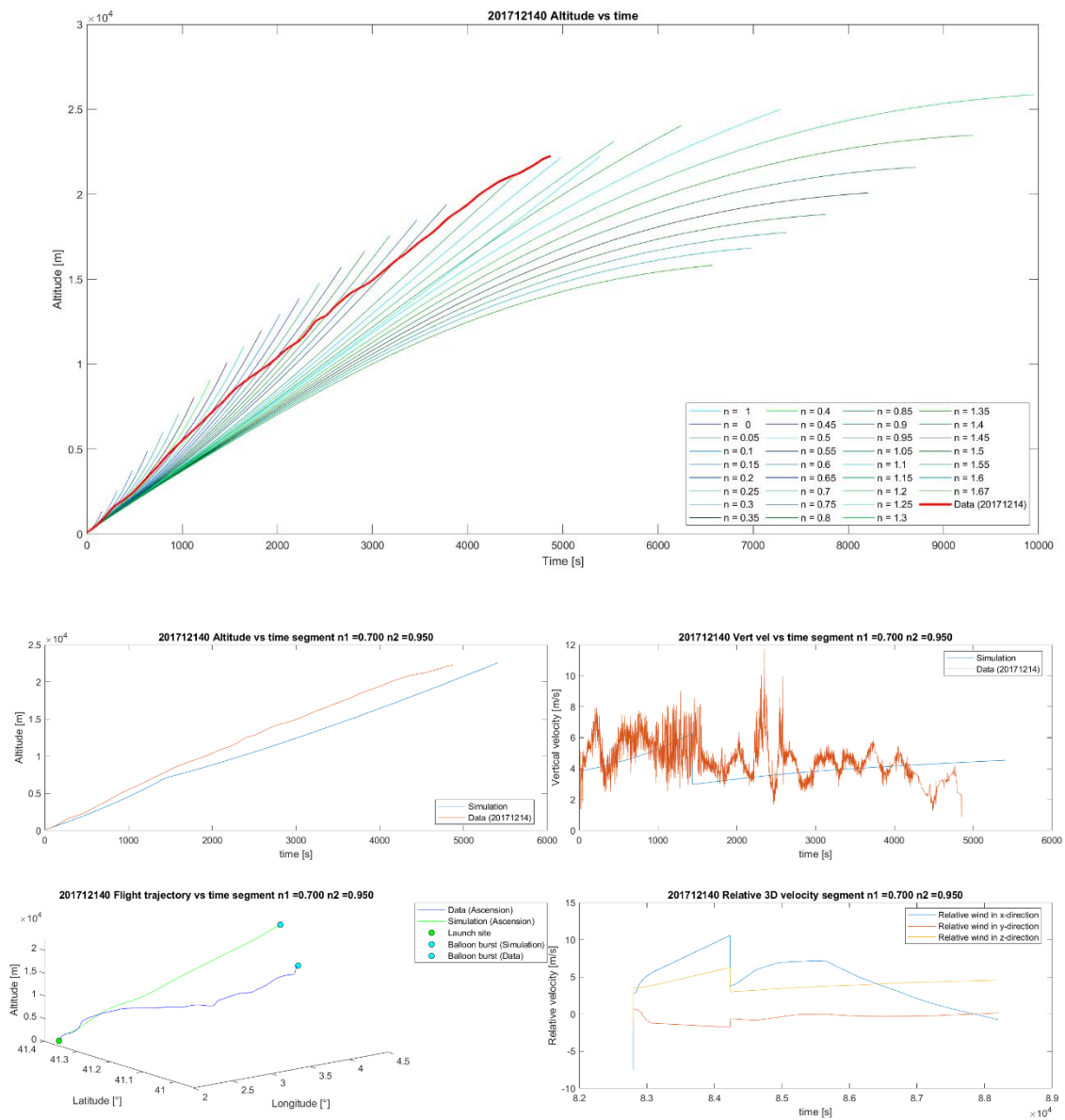


Figure 36 Fit for launch at 14/12/2017 23 UTC

#### A.4. Simulations error summary

In this chapter the error and values of the position in the final point of the trajectory of the analysed launches per month to do the quarter fitting are presented:

01/01 00	Data	Model	Error [km]	01/01 12	Data	Model	Error [km]
Height [km]	28.57	28.62	0.05	Height [km]	30.13	30.71	0.58
Latitude [°]	41.07	41.32	27.57	Latitude [°]	40.81	40.73	8.45
Longitude [°]	2.76	3.15	43.22	Longitude [°]	2.16	2.25	9.50
14/02 00	Data	Model	Error [km]	14/02 12	Data	Model	Error [km]
Height [km]	20.85	20.71	0.14	Height [km]	22.60	23.18	0.57
Latitude [°]	41.73	41.42	34.49	Latitude [°]	41.46	41.47	0.80
Longitude [°]	2.25	2.39	15.22	Longitude [°]	2.43	2.47	4.50



14/03 00	Data	Model	Error [km]	14/03 12	Data	Model	Error [km]
Height [km]	30.52	29.38	1.14	Height [km]	23.84	25.04	1.20
Latitude [°]	41.40	40.86	60.43	Latitude [°]	41.23	41.15	8.23
Longitude [°]	1.91	1.68	24.83	Longitude [°]	1.83	1.77	6.85
14/04 00	Data	Model	Error [km]	14/04 12	Data	Model	Error [km]
Height [km]	26.69	26.21	0.47	Height [km]	29.23	28.97	0.26
Latitude [°]	41.31	41.10	22.52	Latitude [°]	41.28	41.21	8.43
Longitude [°]	2.90	3.17	30.15	Longitude [°]	3.18	3.22	4.65
14/05 00	Data	Model	Error [km]	14/05 12	Data	Model	Error [km]
Height [km]	22.75	23.27	0.52	Height [km]	26.62	26.89	0.27
Latitude [°]	41.73	41.24	54.17	Latitude [°]	41.39	41.64	28.05
Longitude [°]	2.97	2.73	26.74	Longitude [°]	2.82	2.94	13.61
14/06 00	Data	Model	Error [km]	14/06 12	Data	Model	Error [km]
Height [km]	22.54	23.65	1.11	Height [km]	29.49	28.27	1.22
Latitude [°]	41.39	41.38	1.31	Latitude [°]	41.44	41.46	1.44
Longitude [°]	2.61	2.56	6.08	Longitude [°]	2.43	2.50	7.21
14/07 00	Data	Model	Error [km]	14/07 12	Data	Model	Error [km]
Height [km]	25.64	27.59	1.95	Height [km]	29.80	28.72	1.08
Latitude [°]	41.38	41.17	22.49	Latitude [°]	41.38	41.29	9.06
Longitude [°]	3.36	3.14	24.80	Longitude [°]	3.08	3.32	26.26
01/08 00	Data	Model	Error [km]	01/08 12	Data	Model	Error [km]
Height [km]	30.60	29.94	0.66	Height [km]	27.00	26.33	0.67
Latitude [°]	41.93	42.14	22.53	Latitude [°]	42.07	42.17	11.75
Longitude [°]	2.54	2.78	26.52	Longitude [°]	2.74	2.94	22.10
14/09 00	Data	Model	Error [km]	14/09 12	Data	Model	Error [km]
Height [km]	23.06	24.33	1.27	Height [km]	30.41	28.98	1.43
Latitude [°]	41.52	41.59	7.52	Latitude [°]	41.57	41.58	1.10
Longitude [°]	2.92	3.57	72.58	Longitude [°]	3.25	3.28	3.84
14/10 00	Data	Model	Error [km]	14/10 12	Data	Model	Error [km]
Height [km]	31.11	29.38	1.73	Height [km]	25.76	25.55	0.21
Latitude [°]	41.26	41.31	5.92	Latitude [°]	41.33	41.24	9.46
Longitude [°]	2.32	2.26	7.41	Longitude [°]	2.19	2.22	3.35
14/11 00	Data	Model	Error [km]	14/11 12	Data	Model	Error [km]
Height [km]	28.44	27.35	1.08	Height [km]	23.59	23.67	0.08
Latitude [°]	40.31	40.32	0.67	Latitude [°]	40.64	40.31	36.61
Longitude [°]	2.36	2.11	27.16	Longitude [°]	2.15	2.14	0.61
14/12 00	Data	Model	Error [km]	14/12 12	Data	Model	Error [km]
Height [km]	22.24	22.58	0.34	Height [km]	25.26	24.13	1.13
Latitude [°]	40.95	41.22	29.28	Latitude [°]	41.23	41.04	20.91
Longitude [°]	3.40	4.26	96.40	Longitude [°]	3.96	4.17	23.26

Table 2 Fit simulations error at the end of the trajectory

## Annex B

In this Annex, the different codes used to obtain and arrange data, run the simulation and the verification of the model are presented.

### B.1. Script Main\_Data\_Import

% This script is used to import data in the launches log files into Matlab  
 % as a .mat database in order to read it easily to perform the validation.

```
% clear; clc;
loaded = 1; % To avoid reloads
if loaded == 0
    %% Delete non useful files
    cd 'GLOBUS_SONDA_UB_RAOb_99-17'
    delete *.*;
    % Year range
    for year = 1999:2017
        cd(sprintf('%d',year));
        delete *.*;
        delete *.txt;
        % Month range
        for month = 1:12
            if month < 10
                cd(sprintf('0%d',month));
            else
                cd(sprintf('%d',month));
            end
            delete *.txt;
            cd ..
        end
    end
    cd ..
end
cd ..

%% Data import
year_ini=2012;
year_fin =2017;
% Auxiliar initializations
DATB.lch_year = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.lch_month = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.lch_day = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.lch_hour = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.ftr_time = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.ftr_alt = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.ftr_pres = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.ftr_temp = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.ftr_hum = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.ftr_DP = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.ftr_WF = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.ftr_WD = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.ftr_VEF = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.ftr_VNF = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.ftr_LAT = double.empty(0,1);
DATB.ftr_LON = double.empty(0,1);

% Temps [s]
% Altura [m]
% Pressió [hPa/mbar]
% Temperatura [°C]
% Humitat relativa [%]
% Temperatura del Punt de Rosada
% Velocitat del vent (Wind Force) [m/s o kts]
% Direcció del vent [°]
% Component de vent horitzontal u [m/s o kts]
% Component de vent horitzontal v [m/s o kts]
% Latitud [°]
% Longitud [°]

% Copy the import function inside subfolders
copyfile importfile.m GLOBUS_SONDA_UB_RAOb_99-17
cd 'GLOBUS_SONDA_UB_RAOb_99-17'
```

```
% Year range
for year = year_ini:year_fin
    copyfile('importfile.m',sprintf('%d',year))
    cd(sprintf('%d',year));
    for month = 1:12
        if month < 10
            copyfile('importfile.m',sprintf('0%d',month))
            cd(sprintf('0%d',month));
            list=dir('*.txt');
        else
            copyfile('importfile.m',sprintf('%d',month))
            cd(sprintf('%d',month));
            list=dir('*.txt');
        end
        for n = 1:length(list)

[ ftr_time,ftr_alt,ftr_pres,ftr_temp,ftr_hum,ftr_DP,ftr_WF,ftr_WD,ftr_VEF,ftr_VNF,ftr_LAT,ftr_LON]
= importfile(list(n).name, 2, inf);
            lch_year = zeros(length(ftr_time),1)+str2double(year);
            lch_month = zeros(length(ftr_time),1)+str2double(month);
            lch_day = zeros(length(ftr_time),1) + str2double(list(n).name(5:6));
            lch_hour = zeros(length(ftr_time),1) + str2double(list(n).name(7:8));
            DATB.lch_year = vertcat(DATB.lch_year,lch_year);
            DATB.lch_month = vertcat(DATB.lch_month,lch_month);
            DATB.lch_day = vertcat(DATB.lch_day,lch_day);
            DATB.lch_hour = vertcat(DATB.lch_hour,lch_hour);
            DATB.ftr_time = vertcat(DATB.ftr_time,ftr_time);
            DATB.ftr_alt = vertcat(DATB.ftr_alt,ftr_alt);
            DATB.ftr_pres = vertcat(DATB.ftr_pres,ftr_pres);
            DATB.ftr_temp = vertcat(DATB.ftr_temp,ftr_temp);
            DATB.ftr_hum = vertcat(DATB.ftr_hum,ftr_hum);
            DATB.ftr_DP = vertcat(DATB.ftr_DP,ftr_DP);
            DATB.ftr_WF = vertcat(DATB.ftr_WF,ftr_WF);
            DATB.ftr_WD = vertcat(DATB.ftr_WD,ftr_WD);
            DATB.ftr_VEF = vertcat(DATB.ftr_VEF,ftr_VEF);
            DATB.ftr_VNF = vertcat(DATB.ftr_VNF,ftr_VNF);
            DATB.ftr_LAT = vertcat(DATB.ftr_LAT,ftr_LAT);
            DATB.ftr_LON = vertcat(DATB.ftr_LON,ftr_LON);
        end
        delete 'importfile.m';
        cd ..
    end
    delete 'importfile.m';
    cd ..
end
delete 'importfile.m'
cd ..
save('DATB.mat', 'DATB', '-v7.3')
end

% Organize by years
for year = 2012:2017
    for month =1:12
        [ DATByyyymm ] = rearrange_IN( DATB, year, month );
    end
end
end
```

### B.1.1. Function importfile

function

```
[ftr_time,ftr_alt,ftr_pres,ftr_temp,ftr_hum,ftr_DP,ftr_WF,ftr_WD,ftr_VEF,ftr_VNF,ftr_LAT,ftr_LON]
= importfile(filename, startRow, endRow)
%IMPORTFILE Import numeric data from a text file as column vectors.
%
[FTR_TIME,FTR_ALT,FTR_PRES,FTR_TEMP,FTR_HUM,FTR_DP,FTR_WF,FTR_WD,FTR_V
EF,FTR_VNF,FTR_LAT,FTR_LON]
% = IMPORTFILE(FILENAME) Reads data from text file FILENAME for the
% default selection.
%
%
[FTR_TIME,FTR_ALT,FTR_PRES,FTR_TEMP,FTR_HUM,FTR_DP,FTR_WF,FTR_WD,FTR_V
EF,FTR_VNF,FTR_LAT,FTR_LON]
% = IMPORTFILE(FILENAME, STARTROW, ENDROW) Reads data from rows STARTROW
% through ENDROW of text file FILENAME.
%
% Example:
%
[ftr_time,ftr_alt,ftr_pres,ftr_temp,ftr_hum,ftr_DP,ftr_WF,ftr_WD,ftr_VEF,ftr_VNF,ftr_LAT,ftr_LON]
= importfile('12010100.txt',2, 2237);
%
% See also TEXTSCAN.
```

% Auto-generated by MATLAB on 2019/01/31 17:57:33

```
%% Initialize variables.
```

```
delimiter = '\t';
if nargin<=2
startRow = 2;
endRow = inf;
end
```

%% Format string for each line of text:

```
% column1: double (%f)
% column2: double (%f)
% column3: double (%f)
% column4: double (%f)
% column5: double (%f)
% column6: double (%f)
% column7: double (%f)
% column8: double (%f)
% column9: double (%f)
% column10: double (%f)
% column11: double (%f)
% column12: double (%f)
% For more information, see the TEXTSCAN documentation.
formatSpec = '%f%f%f%f%f%f%f%f%f%f%f%f%f[^\n\r]';
```

```
%% Open the text file.
```

```
fileID = fopen(filename,'r');
%% Read columns of data according to format string.
% This call is based on the structure of the file used to generate this
% code. If an error occurs for a different file, try regenerating the code
% from the Import Tool.
```

```
dataArray = textscan(fileID, formatSpec, endRow(1)-startRow(1)+1, 'Delimiter', delimiter,
'EmptyValue', NaN, 'HeaderLines', startRow(1)-1, 'ReturnOnError', false);
for block=2:length(startRow)
```

```
frewind(fileID);
dataArrayBlock = textscan(fileID, formatSpec, endRow(block)-startRow(block)+1, 'Delimiter',
delimiter, 'EmptyValue', NaN, 'HeaderLines', startRow(block)-1, 'ReturnOnError', false);
for col=1:length(dataArray)
dataArray{col} = [dataArray{col};dataArrayBlock{col}];
end
end

%% Close the text file.
fclose(fileID);
%% Post processing for unimportable data.
% No unimportable data rules were applied during the import, so no post
% processing code is included. To generate code which works for
% unimportable data, select unimportable cells in a file and regenerate the
% script.
```

```
%% Allocate imported array to column variable names
```

```
ftr_time = dataArray{:, 1};
ftr_alt = dataArray{:, 2};
ftr_pres = dataArray{:, 3};
ftr_temp = dataArray{:, 4};
ftr_hum = dataArray{:, 5};
ftr_DP = dataArray{:, 6};
ftr_WF = dataArray{:, 7};
ftr_WD = dataArray{:, 8};
ftr_VEF = dataArray{:, 9};
ftr_VNF = dataArray{:, 10};
ftr_LAT = dataArray{:, 11};
ftr_LON = dataArray{:, 12};
```

### B.1.2. Function rearrange\_IN(

```
function [ DATByyyymm ] = rearrange_IN( DATB, year, month )
%rearrange_IN Rearranges data input by year and month
% Inputs:
%   DATB       : Baloon launch database
%   year       : Launch year
%   month      : Launch month
% Outputs:
%   DATByyyymm : Baloon launch for a given month and year
samples=DATB.lch_year==year& DATB.lch_month==month;
DATByyyymm.lch_year = DATB.lch_year(samples);
DATByyyymm.lch_month = DATB.lch_month(samples);
DATByyyymm.lch_day = DATB.lch_day(samples);
DATByyyymm.lch_hour = DATB.lch_hour(samples);
DATByyyymm.ftr_time = DATB.ftr_time(samples);
DATByyyymm.ftr_alt = DATB.ftr_alt(samples);
DATByyyymm.ftr_pres = DATB.ftr_pres(samples);
DATByyyymm.ftr_temp = DATB.ftr_temp(samples);
DATByyyymm.ftr_hum = DATB.ftr_hum(samples);
DATByyyymm.ftr_DP = DATB.ftr_DP(samples);
DATByyyymm.ftr_WF = DATB.ftr_WF(samples);
DATByyyymm.ftr_WD = DATB.ftr_WD(samples);
DATByyyymm.ftr_VEF = DATB.ftr_VEF(samples);
DATByyyymm.ftr_VNF = DATB.ftr_VNF(samples);
DATByyyymm.ftr_LAT = DATB.ftr_LAT(samples);
DATByyyymm.ftr_LON = DATB.ftr_LON(samples);
if month < 10
    filename = sprintf('DATB%d0%d.mat',year,month);
else
```



```

filename = sprintf('DATB%d%d.mat',year,month);
end
% fldnm = sprintf('DATB%d0%d',year,month);
% DATByyyymm.(fldnm) = DATBsamples;
cd 'GLOBUS_SONDA_UB_RAOB_COMPACT'
save(filename, 'DATByyyymm')
cd ..
end

```

## B.2. Script process\_grib2

% This script downloads NOAA weather data for a specific date. It also  
 % extracts and saves the wind data from the downloaded grb2-files  
 clc; clear; close all

% Use forecast (mode 1) or analysis (mode 2) data

```

mode = 2;
% Delete grb2-file after extracting and saving wind data? (del = 1: yes,
% del = 2: no)
del = 1;

```

%% Date

```

year = 2017;
yyyy = sprintf('%d',year);
month = 12;
if month <10
    mm = sprintf('0%d',month);
else
    mm = sprintf('%d',month);
end
day = eomday(year, month);
if day <10
    dd = sprintf('0%d',day);
else
    dd = sprintf('%d',day);
end
date = [yyyy,mm,dd];

```

%% Download grib2 files from NOAA

```

for i=1:4
    if i == 1
        time = '0000';
    elseif i == 2
        time = '0600';
    elseif i == 3
        time = '1200';
    elseif i == 4
        time = '1800';
    end
    fctime = '000'; % Forecast time available in 3h steps with 3 digits
    if exist(['simulation/wind_data/wind_',date,'_',time,'.mat'], 'file') ~= 2
        % Forecast
        if mode == 1
            dataname = ['gfs_4_',date,'_',time,'_',fctime,'.grb2'];
            % In case the normal link is not accessible, a second one will be tried
            try
                url = ['https://nomads.ncdc.noaa.gov/data/gfs4/',yyyy,mm,'/',date,'/',dataname];
                filename = ([date,'_',time,'.grb2']);
                cd ('D:\Users\Oriol\Desktop\letseiat\MASTER\TFM\Data codes\GRIB2\');
            catch
            end
        end
    end
end

```

```

    websave(filename,url);
catch
    url = ['https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/thredds/fileServer/gfs-004-files/',...
          yyyy,mm,'/',date,'/',dataname];
    filename = ([date,'_',time,'.grb2']);
    cd ('D:\Users\Oriol\Desktop\etseiat\MASTER\TFM\Data codes\GRIB2\');
    websave(filename,url);
end
% Analysis
elseif mode == 2
    dataname = ['gfsanl_4_',date,'_',time,'_',fctime,'.grb2'];
    % In case the normal link is not accessible, a second one will be tried
    try
        url = ['https://nomads.ncdc.noaa.gov/data/gfsanl/',yyyy,mm,'/',date,'/',dataname];
        filename = ([date,'_',time,'.grb2']);
        ('D:\Users\Oriol\Desktop\etseiat\MASTER\TFM\Data codes\GRIB2\');
        websave(filename,url);
    catch
        url = ['https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/thredds/fileServer/gfs-g4-anl-files/',...
              yyyy,mm,'/',date,'/',dataname];
        filename = ([date,'_',time,'.grb2']);
        ('D:\Users\Oriol\Desktop\etseiat\MASTER\TFM\Data codes\GRIB2\');
        websave(filename,url);
    end
end

%% Handling grib2 data
% "Activate nctoolbox"
cd ('D:\Users\Oriol\Desktop\etseiat\MASTER\TFM\Data codes\nctoolbox-1.1.3\');
setup_nctoolbox
% Get data
url = ['D:\Users\Oriol\Desktop\etseiat\MASTER\TFM\Data
codes\GRIB2\',date,'_',time,'.grb2'];
nc = ncgeodataset(url);
% Find the fitting pressure vectors
pressure_u_v = nc.dimensions('u-component_of_wind_isobaric');
pressure_vert = nc.dimensions('Vertical_velocity_pressure_isobaric');
% Get wind components
size_p = nc.size(pressure_u_v{2});
size_p_vert = nc.size(pressure_vert{2});
for ii=1:size_p
    wind.wind_u{ii} = squeeze(nc{'u-component_of_wind_isobaric'}(1,ii,:));
    wind.wind_v{ii} = squeeze(nc{'v-component_of_wind_isobaric'}(1,ii,:));
    % Corresponding grid
    wind.grid_u{ii} = nc{'u-component_of_wind_isobaric'}(1,ii,:).grid;
    wind.grid_v{ii} = nc{'v-component_of_wind_isobaric'}(1,ii,:).grid;
    % Plot
    % figure
    % pcolorjw(wind.grid_u{i}.lon,wind.grid_u{i}.lat,wind.wind_u{i})
    % colorbar
    % figure
    % pcolorjw(wind.grid_v{i}.lon,wind.grid_v{i}.lat,wind.wind_v{i})
    % colorbar
end
for ii=1:size_p_vert
    wind.wind_vert{ii} = squeeze(nc{'Vertical_velocity_pressure_isobaric'}(1,ii,:));
    % Corresponding grid
    wind.grid_vert{ii} = nc{'Vertical_velocity_pressure_isobaric'}(1,ii,:).grid;
    % % Plot

```

```

    % figure;pcolor(wind.grid_u{1}.lon,wind.grid_u{1}.lat,wind.wind_u{20});hold on;shading
interp;
    %   pcolorjw(wind.grid_vert{i}.lon,wind.grid_vert{i}.lat,wind.wind_vert{i})
    %   colorbar
end
wind.p = nc{pressure_u_v{2}}(:);
wind.p_vert = nc{pressure_vert{2}}(:);
% Save wind files in easy readable matlab format
save(['wind_',date,'_',time,'.mat'],'wind');
% Save at wished location
source = ['wind_',date,'_',time,'.mat'];
destination = 'D:\Users\Oriol\Desktop\etseiat\MASTER\TFM\Data
codes\simulation\wind_data';
movefile(source,destination)
else
end
end
if del == 1
    cd ..;
    delete *.grb2;
    delete *.grb2.html;
    delete *.grb2.gbx9;
    delete *.grb2.ncx;
end

```

### B.3. Script process\_grib2\_download

% This script downloads NOAA weather data for a specific date.

clc; clear; close all

% Use forecast (mode 1) or analysis (mode 2) data

mode = 1;

%% Date

year = 2017;

month = 12;

day = 27;

yyyy = sprintf('%d',year);

if month < 10

mm = sprintf('0%d',month);

else

mm = sprintf('%d',month);

end

if day < 10

dd = sprintf('0%d',day);

else

dd = sprintf('%d',day);

end

date = [yyyy,mm,dd];

%% Download grib2 files from NOAA

for i=1:4

if i == 1

time = '0000';

elseif i == 2

time = '0600';

elseif i == 3

time = '1200';

elseif i == 4

```

time = '1800';
end
fctime = '000'; % Forecast time available in 3h steps with 3 digits
if exist(['simulation/wind_data/wind_',date,'_',time,'.mat'], 'file') ~= 2
    % Forecast
    if mode == 1
        dataname = ['gfs_4_',date,'_',time,'_',fctime,'.grb2'];
        % In case the normal link is not accessible, a second one will be tried
        try
            url = ['https://nomads.ncdc.noaa.gov/data/gfs4/',yyyy,mm,'/',date,'/',dataname];
            filename = ([date,'_',time,'.grb2']);
            cd ('D:\Users\Oriol\Desktop\etseiat\MASTER\TFM\Data codes\GRIB2\');
            websave(filename,url);
        catch
            url = ['https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/thredds/fileServer/gfs-004-files/',...
                yyyy,mm,'/',date,'/',dataname];
            filename = ([date,'_',time,'.grb2']);
            cd ('D:\Users\Oriol\Desktop\etseiat\MASTER\TFM\Data codes\GRIB2\');
            websave(filename,url);
        end
    end

    % Analysis
elseif mode == 2
    dataname = ['gfsanl_4_',date,'_',time,'_',fctime,'.grb2'];
    % In case the normal link is not accessible, a second one will be tried
    try
        url = ['https://nomads.ncdc.noaa.gov/data/gfsanl/',yyyy,mm,'/',date,'/',dataname];
        filename = ([date,'_',time,'.grb2']);
        cd ('D:\Users\Oriol\Desktop\etseiat\MASTER\TFM\Data codes\GRIB2\');
        websave(filename,url);
    catch
        url = ['https://www.ncei.noaa.gov/thredds/fileServer/gfs-g4-anl-files/',...
            yyyy,mm,'/',date,'/',dataname];
        filename = ([date,'_',time,'.grb2']);
        cd ('D:\Users\Oriol\Desktop\etseiat\MASTER\TFM\Data codes\GRIB2\');
        websave(filename,url);
    end
end
cd ..
else
    cd ..
end
end
end

```

## B.4. Script process\_nc2mat

% This script extracts and saves the wind data from the converted nc-files  
clc; clear; close all

% Delete grb2-file after extracting and saving wind data? (del = 1: yes,  
% del = 2: no)  
del = 2;

% Plot wind data? (plotwind = 1: yes, plotwind = 2: no)  
plotwind = 2;

% Date  
year = 2017;  
month = 12;  
day = 31;

```

yyyy = sprintf('%d',year);
if month <10
    mm = sprintf('0%d',month);
else
    mm = sprintf('%d',month);
end
if day <10
    dd = sprintf('0%d',day);
else
    dd = sprintf('%d',day);
end
if month <10
    if day <10
        date = sprintf('%d0%d0%d',year,month,day);
    else
        date = sprintf('%d0%d%d',year,month,day);
    end
else
    if day <10
        date = sprintf('%d%d0%d',year,month,day);
    else
        date = sprintf('%d%d%d',year,month,day);
    end
end

%% Handling nc data
for i=1:4
    if i == 1
        time = '0000';
    elseif i == 2
        time = '0600';
    elseif i == 3
        time = '1200';
    elseif i == 4
        time = '1800';
    end
    % Get data
    url = ['D:\Users\Oriol\Desktop\etseiat\MASTER\TFM\Data codes\GRIB2\' ,date,'_',time,'.nc'];

    % Get wind components
    wind_u = ncread(url,'u-component_of_wind_isobaric');
    wind_u = permute(wind_u, [2 1 3]);
    wind.wind_u{size(wind_u,3)}= wind_u(:,:,1);
    wind_v = ncread(url,'v-component_of_wind_isobaric');
    wind_v = permute(wind_v, [2 1 3]);
    wind.wind_v{size(wind_v,3)}= wind_v(:,:,1);
    wind_vert = ncread(url,'Vertical_velocity_pressure_isobaric');
    wind_vert = permute(wind_vert, [2 1 3]);
    for j = 1:size(wind_u,3)
        wind.wind_u{j}= wind_u(:,:,end-j+1);
        wind.wind_v{j}= wind_v(:,:,end-j+1);
    end
    for j = 1:size(wind_vert,3)
        wind.wind_vert{j}= wind_vert(:,:,end-j+1);
    end
    nday = datenum(year,month,day,str2double(time(1:2)),str2double(time(3:4)),0);
    nlon = ncread(url,'lon');
    nlat = ncread(url,'lat');

```



```

wind.grid_u{size(wind_u,3)}.time = nday;
wind.grid_u{size(wind_u,3)}.lon = nlon;
wind.grid_u{size(wind_u,3)}.lat = nlat;
wind.grid_v{size(wind_v,3)}.time = nday;
wind.grid_v{size(wind_v,3)}.lon = nlon;
wind.grid_v{size(wind_v,3)}.lat = nlat;
wind.grid_vert{size(wind_vert,3)}.time = nday;
wind.grid_vert{size(wind_vert,3)}.lon = nlon;
wind.grid_vert{size(wind_vert,3)}.lat = nlat;
for j = 1:length(wind.grid_u)
    wind.grid_u{j}.time = nday;
    wind.grid_u{j}.lon = nlon;
    wind.grid_u{j}.lat = nlat;
end
for j = 1:length(wind.grid_v)
    wind.grid_v{j}.time = nday;
    wind.grid_v{j}.lon = nlon;
    wind.grid_v{j}.lat = nlat;
end
for j = 1:length(wind.grid_vert)
    wind.grid_vert{j}.time = nday;
    wind.grid_vert{j}.lon = nlon;
    wind.grid_vert{j}.lat = nlat;
end
wind.p = flipud(ncread(url,'isobaric4'));
wind.p_vert = flipud(ncread(url,'isobaric3'));
% Save wind files in easy readable matlab format
save(['wind_',date,'_',time,'.mat'],'wind');
% Save at wished location
source = ['wind_',date,'_',time,'.mat'];
destination = 'D:\Users\Oriol\Desktop\etseiat\MASTER\TFM\Data
codes\simulation\wind_data';
movefile(source,destination)
end
if plotwind == 1
    figure(1)
    contourf(wind.grid_u{13}.lon,wind.grid_u{13}.lat,wind.wind_u{13},'LineColor','none')
    ylabel({'latitude [°]'});
    xlabel({'longitude [°]'});
    titlename = ['u-component of wind at 25 kPa barometric altitude at ',time(1:2), ':', time(3:4),'
UTC ','[m/s]'];
    title({titlename});
    colorbar
    saveas(figure(1),strcat('Wind plots/u ', time, '.fig'))
    saveas(figure(1),strcat('Wind plots/u ', time, '.png'))
    figure(2)
    contourf(wind.grid_v{13}.lon,wind.grid_v{13}.lat,wind.wind_v{13},'LineColor','none')
    ylabel({'latitude [°]'});
    xlabel({'longitude [°]'});
    titlename = ['v-component of wind at 25 kPa barometric altitude at ',time(1:2), ':', time(3:4),'
UTC ','[m/s]'];
    title({titlename});
    colorbar
    saveas(figure(2),strcat('Wind plots/v ', time, '.fig'))
    saveas(figure(2),strcat('Wind plots/v ', time, '.png'))
end
if del == 1
    cd ..;
    delete *.grb2;

```

```

delete *.grb2.html;
delete *.grb2.gbx9;
delete *.grb2.ncx;
end

```

## B.5. Script Main\_Data\_Study

% This script is used to visualize the ascension profile and the trajectory  
 % of every launch at a certain month and year. Also makes the statistical  
 % boxplots for steps of 15 min taking into account all these flights.

```

clc; clear;

%% Data input
k=1;
show_statistics_plots = 1;
show_month_plots = 1;
end_year = 2013;
ini_year = 2013;
end_month = 1;
ini_month = 1;
time_stop = [15 30 45 60];
% Statistics variables inicialization
h_mean = zeros(12*(end_year-ini_year+1),length(time_stop));
h_median = zeros(12*(end_year-ini_year+1),length(time_stop));
h_min = zeros(12*(end_year-ini_year+1),length(time_stop));
h_max = zeros(12*(end_year-ini_year+1),length(time_stop));
h_stddev = zeros(12*(end_year-ini_year+1),length(time_stop));
h_05percentile = zeros(12*(end_year-ini_year+1),length(time_stop));
h_25percentile = zeros(12*(end_year-ini_year+1),length(time_stop));
h_75percentile = zeros(12*(end_year-ini_year+1),length(time_stop));
h_95percentile = zeros(12*(end_year-ini_year+1),length(time_stop));
var_coefh=zeros(12*(end_year-ini_year+1),length(time_stop));
var_coefh_max=zeros(12*(end_year-ini_year+1),1);
% figure=zeros(12*(end_year-ini_year+1)+200,1);
if show_statistics_plots ==1
    % Create a directory for outputs
    mkdir('Statistics plots');
    mkdir('Month plots');
end
% Year count
for year = ini_year:end_year
    % Month count
    if show_statistics_plots ==1
        % Annual boxplots figure inicialization
        figure('units','normalized','outerposition',[0 0 1 1]);
    end
    for month =ini_month:end_month

        %% File load
        [ DATByyyymm ] = file_load( year, month );
        %% Variables inicialization
        h_time= zeros(max(DATByyyymm.lch_day)*2,length(time_stop));
        % T_time= zeros(max(DATByyyymm.lch_day)*2,length(time_stop));
        % track = zeros(max(DATByyyymm.lch_day)*2,1);
        %% Samples read
        % Launch counter
        i=1;
        % Day count

```

```

for lch_day=1:31
    % Launch hour count
    for lch_hour = linspace(0,12,2)
        % Data identification by launch
        [DATBsample] = data_identification(DATByyyymm,lch_day, lch_hour);
    %
        if sum(samples)>0
            %% Ascension interpolation adjustment
            % % Data identification (x,y)
            % x = DATBsample.ftr_time(2:length(DATBsample.ftr_time));
            % y = DATBsample.ftr_alt(2:length(DATBsample.ftr_time));
            % ceiling = ceil(max(y)/10);
            % ymin = ceil(min(y)/10);
            % yy=linspace(ymin,ceiling,(ceiling-ymin)+1)*10;
            % xx = spline(y,x,yy); xx=xx(xx>=0);
            % yy = yy((length(yy)-length(xx)+1):length(yy));
            % plot(x,y,'Color',[0 0 1]); hold on; plot(xx,yy,'Color',[1 0 0]);

            %% Track identification
            % Read the track logs, returns the data in a geoshape object.
            track = geoshape(DATBsample.ftr_LAT', DATBsample.ftr_LON');

            %% Display altitude vs time, T vs altitude
            if show_month_plots ==1
                figure(k);
                month_plot( DATBsample);
                %% Read worldmap
                figure(k+100);
                geoplots(DATBsample.ftr_LAT', DATBsample.ftr_LON', 'linewidth',1.5,'Color',
0.8*rand(1,3))
                geobasemap('landcover');
                geolimits([min(DATByyyymm.ftr_LAT)
max(DATByyyymm.ftr_LAT)], [min(DATByyyymm.ftr_LON) max(DATByyyymm.ftr_LON)]);
                % Create title
                if month <10
                    titlename = sprintf('%d-0%d Map track', year,month);
                else
                    titlename = sprintf('%d-%d Map track', year,month);
                end
                title({titlename});
                hold on
            end
            %% Data extraction
            h_time(i,:) = time_stops( DATBsample.ftr_alt, DATBsample.ftr_time,time_stop);
            % NAN elimination
            h_time_aux=h_time(i,:);
            h_time_aux(isnan(h_time_aux))=0;
            h_time(i,:)=h_time_aux;
            % T_time(i,:)= time_stops( DATBsample.ftr_temp,
DATBsample.ftr_time,time_stop);
            i=i+1;
        %
        end
    end
end
if show_month_plots ==1
    % Save figures
    if month <10
        saveas(figure(k), sprintf('Month plots/Altitude & T %d-0%d', year,month), 'jpeg');
        saveas(figure(k+100), sprintf('Month plots/Track map %d-0%d', year,month),
'jpeg');
    end
end

```

```

else
    saveas(ffigure(k), sprintf('Month plots/Altitude & T %d-%d', year,month), 'jpeg');
    saveas(ffigure(k+100), sprintf('Month plots/Track map %d-0%d', year,month),
'jpeg');
end
close(ffigure(k));
close(ffigure(k+100));
end
%% Statistics study
for j=1:length(time_stop)
    h_mean(k,j) = mean(h_time(:,j));
    h_median(k,j) = median(h_time(:,j));
    h_min(k,j) = min(h_time(:,j));
    h_max(k,j) = max(h_time(:,j));
    h_stddev(k,j) = std(h_time(:,j));
    h_05percentile(k,j) = prctile(h_time(:,j),0.05);
    h_25percentile(k,j) = prctile(h_time(:,j),0.25);
    h_75percentile(k,j) = prctile(h_time(:,j),0.75);
    h_95percentile(k,j) = prctile(h_time(:,j),0.95);
end
var_coefh(k,:) = h_stddev(k,:)./(abs(h_mean(k,:)));
var_coefh_max(k) = max(var_coefh(k,:));
k=k+1;
if show_statistics_plots ==1
    % Annual boxplots figure inicialization
    figure('units','normalized','outerposition',[0 0 1 1]);
    subplot(3,4,month);
    boxplot_h( h_time./1000, year,month );
    hold on
end
end
if show_statistics_plots ==1
    saveas(ffigure(k+200), sprintf('Statistics plots/Boxplots %d',year), 'jpeg');
    close(ffigure(k+200));
end
end
if show_statistics_plots ==1
    cv_x_axis = ini_year + linspace(1,12*((end_year-ini_year+1)),12*((end_year-
ini_year+1)))./12;
    figure
    plot(cv_x_axis,var_coefh_max)
    % Create xlabel
    xlabel({'Year'});
    % Create ylabel
    ylabel({'Pearson Variation Coefficient [-]'});
    saveas(ffigure, 'Statistics plots/Variation coeficient', 'jpeg');
    close(ffigure);
end

```

### B.5.1. Function file\_load

```

function [ DATByyyymm ] = file_load( year, month )
%file_load Loads a .mat file given month and year
% Inputs:
%   year      : Launch year
%   month     : Launch month
% Outputs:
%   DATByyyymm : Structure with information of launches registered

```

```

% during the defined year and month
if month < 10
    filename =
sprintf('GLOBUS_SONDA_UB_RAOB_COMPACT/DATB%d0%d.mat',year,month);
else
    filename =
sprintf('GLOBUS_SONDA_UB_RAOB_COMPACT/DATB%d%d.mat',year,month);
end
DATByyyymm=load(filename, 'DATByyyymm');
StrName=fieldnames(DATByyyymm);StrName=StrName{1};
DATByyyymm=DATByyyymm.(StrName);

end
  
```

### B.5.2. Function data\_identification

```

function [DATBsample] = data_identification(DATByyyymm,day, hour)
%data_identification Identifies launch data given day and hour
% Inputs:
%   DATByyyymm : Structure with information of launches registered
%   year       : Launch year
%   month      : Launch month
% Outputs:
%   DATBsample : Structure with information of launch registered
%   during the defined year, month, day and hour

samples = DATByyyymm.lch_day==day & DATByyyymm.lch_hour==hour;
DATBsample.lch_year = DATByyyymm.lch_year(samples);
DATBsample.lch_month = DATByyyymm.lch_month(samples);
DATBsample.lch_day = DATByyyymm.lch_day(samples);
DATBsample.lch_hour = DATByyyymm.lch_hour(samples);
DATBsample.ftr_time = DATByyyymm.ftr_time(samples); % Temps [s]
DATBsample.ftr_alt = DATByyyymm.ftr_alt(samples); % Altura [m]
DATBsample.ftr_pres = DATByyyymm.ftr_pres(samples); % Pressió [hPa/mbar]
DATBsample.ftr_temp = DATByyyymm.ftr_temp(samples); % Temperatura [°C]
DATBsample.ftr_hum = DATByyyymm.ftr_hum(samples); % Humitat relativa [%]
DATBsample.ftr_DP = DATByyyymm.ftr_DP(samples); % Temperatura del Punt de
Rosada
DATBsample.ftr_WF = DATByyyymm.ftr_WF(samples); % Velocitat del vent en pla
horizontal (Wind Force) [m/s o kts]
DATBsample.ftr_WD = DATByyyymm.ftr_WD(samples); % Direcció del vent [°]
DATBsample.ftr_VEF = DATByyyymm.ftr_VEF(samples); % Component de vent
horizontal u [m/s o kts] si + vent oest => est
DATBsample.ftr_VNF = DATByyyymm.ftr_VNF(samples); % Component de vent
horizontal v [m/s o kts] si + vent sud => nord
DATBsample.ftr_LAT = DATByyyymm.ftr_LAT(samples); % Latitud [°]
DATBsample.ftr_LON = DATByyyymm.ftr_LON(samples); % Longitud [°]
if sum(samples)>0
    [ DATBsample.calc_Vvert ] = vertical_speed_calc( DATBsample.ftr_time, DATBsample.ftr_alt
); % Vertical speed [m/s]
    % Vmod =
    (DATBsample.ftr_VEF(2:length(DATBsample.ftr_alt)).^2+DATBsample.ftr_VNF(2:length(DATBs
ample.ftr_alt)).^2+Vvert.^2).^0.5;
    % Vvert2 = (DATBsample.ftr_WF.^2-DATBsample.ftr_VEF.^2-DATBsample.ftr_VNF.^2).^0.5;
    [ DATBsample.calc_Vaccel ] = vertical_accel_calc( DATBsample.ftr_time,
DATBsample.calc_Vvert );
end
end
  
```



### B.5.3. Function vertical\_speed\_calc

```
function [ Vvert ] = vertical_speed_calc( time, altitude )
%vertical_speed_calc Calculates Vertical Speed from altitude and time data
% Inputs:
%   time       : Vector with each timestep
%   altitude    : Vector with the registered altitude at each timestep
% Outputs:
%   Vvert       : Vector with the calculated vertical speed at each
%                 timestep
```

```
Vvert = altitude.*0;
Vvert(1)=(altitude(2)-altitude(1))./(time(2)-time(1));
Vvert(2:(length(altitude)-1))=(altitude(3:(length(altitude)))-altitude(1:(length(altitude)-2)))./(time(3:length(altitude))-time(1:length(altitude)-2));
Vvert(length(altitude))=(altitude(length(altitude))-altitude(length(altitude)-1))./(time(length(altitude))-time(length(altitude)-1));
end
```

### B.5.4. Function vertical\_accel\_calc

```
function [ Vaccel ] = vertical_accel_calc( time, Vvert )
%vertical_speed_calc Calculates Vertical Speed from altitude and time data
% Inputs:
%   time       : Vector with each timestep
%   Vvert       : Vector with the calculated vertical speed at each
%                 timestep
% Outputs:
%   Vaccel      : Vector with the calculated vertical accel at each
%                 timestep
```

```
Vaccel = Vvert.*0;
Vaccel(1)=(Vvert(2)-Vvert(1))./(time(2)-time(1));
Vaccel(2:(length(Vvert)-1))=(Vvert(3:(length(Vvert)))-Vvert(1:(length(Vvert)-2)))./(time(3:length(Vvert))-time(1:length(Vvert)-2));
Vaccel(length(Vvert))=(Vvert(length(Vvert))-Vvert(length(Vvert)-1))./(time(length(Vvert))-time(length(Vvert)-1));
end
```

### B.5.5. Function month\_plot

```
function month_plot( DATBsample )
%boxplot_h Plots the box plot of the altitudes for each time instant at a
%given month and year
% Inputs:
%   h         : Altitude at each time instant for each launch [km]
%   year       : Launch year
%   month      : Launch month
% Outputs:
%   Boxplot of the altitudes for each time instant at a given month and
%   year
year = DATBsample.lch_year(1);
month = DATBsample.lch_month(1);
% day = DATBsample.lch_day(1);

hour = DATBsample.lch_hour(1);
if hour == 0
    color = [0.1*rand(1,2) 1];
else
    color = [1 0.1*rand(1,2)];
end
```

```

subplot(2,1,1);
plot(DATBSample.ftr_time,DATBSample.ftr_alt./1000,'Color',color)
% Create xlabel
xlabel({'time [s]'});
% Create title
if month <10
    titlename = sprintf('%d-0%d Altitude vs time', year,month);
else
    titlename = sprintf('%d-%d Altitude vs time', year,month);
end
title({titlename});
% Create ylabel
ylabel({'altitude [km]'});
% % X-limits of the axes
% xlim([0 7000]);
% % Y-limits of the axes
% ylim([0 30]);
% Create legend
% if day==1 && hour == 12
legend('23 UTC','11 UTC','Location','east');
% end
hold on

subplot(2,1,2);
plot(DATBSample.ftr_alt./1000,DATBSample.ftr_temp,'Color',color)
% Create xlabel
xlabel({'altitude [km]'});
% Create title
if month <10
    titlename = sprintf('%d-0%d Temperature vs altitude', year,month);
else
    titlename = sprintf('%d-%d Temperature vs altitude', year,month);
end
title({titlename});
% Create ylabel
ylabel({'Temperature [°C]'});
% Create legend
% if day==1 && hour == 12
legend('23 UTC','11 UTC','Location','east');
% end
hold on
% % X-limits of the axes
% xlim([0 30]);
% % Y-limits of the axes
% ylim([-80 30]);
end

```

#### B.5.6. Function boxplot\_h

```

function boxplot_h( h, year,month )
%boxplot_h Plots the box plot of the altitudes for each time instant at a
%given month and year
% Inputs:
%   h      : Altitude at each time instant for each launch [km]
%   year    : Launch year
%   month   : Launch month
% Outputs:
%   Boxplot of the altitudes for each time instant at a given month and
%   year

```

```

boxplot(h)
% Create xlabel
xlabel({'Number of sample (increments of 15 min)'});
% Create title
if month < 10
    titlename = sprintf('%d-0%d Boxplot', year, month);
else
    titlename = sprintf('%d-%d Boxplot', year, month);
end
title({titlename});
% Create ylabel
ylabel({'altitude [km]'});

```

```

% Create y limit
ylim([0 21])
% saveas(gcf, strcat('Boxplots/', titlename), 'jpeg');

```

```
end
```

### B.5.7. Function time\_stops

```

function [ x_time ] = time_stops( x, time, time_stop )
%time_stops Computes the value of x variable at each of the time stops
%defined
% Inputs:
%   x      : Variable array [km, °C ...]
%   time    : Time array [s]
%   time_stop : Time stops (defined in intervals of 15 min)
% Outputs:
%   x_time  : Variable at each time stop

x_time = zeros(length(time_stop),1);
endurance = max(time)/60;
for i = 1:length(time_stop)
    if time_stop(i) < endurance
        x_time(i) = mean(x(time >= time_stop(i)*60-2 & time <= time_stop(i)*60+2));
    end
end
end

```

### B.6. Script Main\_fit

```

% This script runs the ascension simulation given a date and hour. The
% different temperature models are tested, and in the polytropic case also
% the polytropic index must be introduced. At the end of the script the
% information is saved in a Matlab .mat file to avoid repeating the
% computation.

```

```
clear; close all
```

```

% save month: 1 to save month data
savemonth = 0;

```

```

%% Date of flight
year = 2017;
yyyy = sprintf('%d', year);

```

```

%% Temperature Model:
% 1: Balloon Temperature = Ambient Temperature + ideal gas law

```

```
% 2: Polytropic model + ideal gas law
% 3: Polytropic or Isentropic/adiabatic model + ideal gas law
temp_model = [1 2 3];
np_He = 0:0.05:1.6;
np_He(np_He==1)=[];

%% Initialize
for month=[9:12]
    if month < 10
        mm = sprintf('0%d',month);
    else
        mm = sprintf('%d',month);
    end
    for day = 14 %1:-1:1
        if day < 10
            dd = sprintf('0%d',day);
        else
            dd = sprintf('%d',day);
        end
        date = [yyyy,mm,dd];

        %% Wind data
        if exist(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '0000','.mat'], 'file') == 2
            wind00 = load(osip(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '0000','.mat']));
            wind{1} = wind00;
        end
        if exist(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '0600','.mat'], 'file') == 2
            wind06 = load(osip(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '0600','.mat']));
            wind{2} = wind06;
        end
        if exist(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '1200','.mat'], 'file') == 2
            wind12 = load(osip(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '1200','.mat']));
            wind{3} = wind12;
        end
        if exist(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '1800','.mat'], 'file') == 2
            wind18 = load(osip(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '1800','.mat']));
            wind{4} = wind18;
        end
    end

    for hour = linspace(0,12,2)
        %% Load Launch data
        cd ...;
        [DATByyyymm] = file_load( year, month );
        [DATBsample] = data_identification(DATByyyymm,day, hour);
        cd simulation;
        if ~isempty(DATBsample.ftr_alt)
            if exist(osip(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '0000','.mat']), 'file') == 2 ...
                && exist(osip(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '0600','.mat']), 'file') == 2 ...
                && exist(osip(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '1200','.mat']), 'file') == 2 ...
                && exist(osip(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '1800','.mat']), 'file') == 2
                if hour == 12
                    [simulation(day,1)] = findfit(date, hour, DATBsample, wind, temp_model(1),
np_He(1));
                    [simulation(day,length(np_He)+2)] = findfit(date, hour, DATBsample, wind,
temp_model(3), np_He(1));
                    for i = 2:length(np_He)+1
                        [simulation(day,i)] = findfit(date, hour, DATBsample, wind, temp_model(2),
np_He(i-1));
                    end
                end
            end
        end
    end
end
```

```

        else
            [simulation(day+eomday(year,month),1)] = findfit(date, hour, DATBsample, wind,
temp_model(1), np_He(1));
            [simulation(day+eomday(year,month),length(np_He)+2)] = findfit(date, hour,
DATBsample, wind, temp_model(3), np_He(1));
            for i = 2:length(np_He)+1
                [simulation(day+eomday(year,month),i)] = findfit(date, hour, DATBsample,
wind, temp_model(2), np_He(i-1));
            end
        end

    end
end
    cd ..; cd Results;
    save(strcat(date,'simulation'), 'simulation')
    cd ..; cd simulation;
end
end
end
if savemonth == 1
    cd ..; cd Results;
    save(strcat(date(1:6),'simulation'), 'simulation')
    cd ..; cd simulation;
end
end

```

#### B.6.1. Function find\_fit

**function** [simulation] = findfit(date, hour, DATBsample, wind,temp\_model, np\_He)

%findfit Calculates the simulation for each fit which corresponds to

%certain polytropic index for each ascent segment.

% Inputs:

% date : Date of launch in format yyyyymmdd

% hour : Launch hour GMT+1 [h]

% DATBsample : Structure with information of launch registered

% during the defined year, month, day and hour

% wind : Structure with wind data

% temp\_model : Temperature model used in simulation

% 1: Balloon Temperature = Ambient Temperature + ideal gas law

% 2: Polytropic model + ideal gas law

% 3: Polytropic or Isentropic/adiabatic model + ideal gas law

% np\_He : Segment polytropic index

% Outputs:

% simulation : Structure containing simulation outputs

% ECM : Structure containing ECM outputs

%% Real launch data

year = str2double(date(1:4));

month = str2double(date(5:6));

day = str2double(date(7:8));

if month ~=1

dayOfYear = day + sum(eomday(year,1:(month-1)));

else

dayOfYear = day;

end

real\_hour = hour-1;

if real\_hour<0

real\_hour = real\_hour+24;

end



```

%% Parameters
% Ascent
% Starting altitude [m]
z0_a = DATBsample.ftr_alt(1);
% Starting latitude [°]
lat_0_a = DATBsample.ftr_LAT(1);
% Starting longitude [°]
long_0_a = DATBsample.ftr_LON(1);
% Starting velocity [m/s]
vz0_a = 0;
% Starting time [s]
t0 = real_hour*3600;
% Mass of payload [kg]
m_pay = 0.2;
% Mass of balloon [kg]
m_b = 0.35;
% Mass of parachute [kg]
m_p = 0.0; % Approximate value
% Mass of whole structure [kg]
m_s = m_pay+m_b+m_p;
% Initial Helium volume [m^3]
V_0 = 1.1;
% [T_b0, ~, P_b0, rho_b0, ~] = AtmosUSSA(z0_a);
[T_b0, ~, P_b0, rho_b0, ~] = atmosNRL(z0_a, lat_0_a, long_0_a, year, dayOfYear, t0);
% lift_kg = DATBsample.calc_Vaccel(2)*m_s/9.81;
% syms V_0
% buoyancy = lift_kg == rho_b0*V_0-(m_s+(4/1000)*P_b0*V_0/(8.314*T_b0));
% V_0 = double(solve(buoyancy,V_0))
% Burst Radius [m]
hmax = max(DATBsample.ftr_alt);
lat_hmax = DATBsample.ftr_LAT(DATBsample.ftr_alt==max(DATBsample.ftr_alt));
lon_hmax = DATBsample.ftr_LON(DATBsample.ftr_alt==max(DATBsample.ftr_alt));
time_hmax = t0+DATBsample.ftr_time(DATBsample.ftr_alt==max(DATBsample.ftr_alt));
[T_burst, ~, P_burst, ~, ~] = atmosNRL(hmax, lat_hmax, lon_hmax, year, dayOfYear,
time_hmax);
% [T_burst, ~, P_burst, ~, ~] = AtmosUSSA(hmax);
V_burst = (P_b0*V_0/(8.314*T_b0))*8.314*(T_burst/P_burst);
R_burst = (0.75*V_burst/pi)^(1/3);

%% Plot experiment for live plot
% Altitude
if exist('DATBsample','var')==1
    figure
    % plot(ascend.time_alt,ascend.altitude)
    plot(DATBsample.ftr_time ,DATBsample.ftr_alt)
    if temp_model == 1
        titlename = char(strcat('Isothermal Altitude vs time ',{ ' },date, sprintf('%g',hour)));
    elseif temp_model == 2
        titlename = char(strcat(sprintf('Polytropic %3g Altitude vs time ',np_He),{ ' },date,
        sprintf('%g',hour)));

    elseif temp_model == 3
        titlename = char(strcat('Adiabatic Altitude vs time ',{ ' },date, sprintf('%g',hour)));
    end
    title(titlename)
    hold on
end

tic

```

```

%% Ascent Simulation
[time,state,R,v_wind_rel,t_wind_rel] = ...

ascension(z0_a,vz0_a,year,dayOfYear,t0,temp_model,np_He,m_s,V_0,R_burst,lat_0_a,long_0_a,wind);
toc

%% Post processing ascent
% Earth radius [m]
R_earth = 6371000;

% Altitude [m]
altitude_ascent = state(:,3);
% Vertical velocity [m/s]
vvel_ascent = diff(altitude_ascent)./diff(time);
time_vvel_ascent = time(1:end-1)+diff(time(:))/2;

% Getting latitudes and longitudes for distances in x and y
% x- and y-coordinates
x_ascent = state(:,1);
y_ascent = state(:,2);
% Transform to lat, long
lat_ascent = lat_0_a + (y_ascent(1:end-1)/R_earth).*(180/pi);
long_ascent = long_0_a + (x_ascent(1:end-1)/R_earth)*(180/pi)/cos(lat_ascent*pi/180);
% Altitude for latitude and longitude
alt_latlong_ascent = altitude_ascent(1:end-1)+diff(altitude_ascent(1:end))/2;

%% Plot ascent
cd ..; cd Results;
% Altitude
figure(2)
plot(time-time(1),altitude_ascent)
hold on
if exist('DATBsample','var')==1
    plot(DATBsample.ftr_time,DATBsample.ftr_alt)
    legend('Simulation','Data (' ,date,')')
else
    legend('Simulation')
end
if temp_model == 1
    titlename = char(strcat('Isothermal Altitude vs time ',{ ' },date, sprintf('%g',hour)));
elseif temp_model == 2
    titlename = char(strcat(sprintf('Polytropic %3g Altitude vs time ',np_He),{ ' },date,
    sprintf('%g',hour)));
elseif temp_model == 3
    titlename = char(strcat('Adiabatic Altitude vs time ',{ ' },date, sprintf('%g',hour)));
end
title(titlename)
xlabel('Time [s]')
ylabel('Altitude [m]')
saveas(figure(2),strcat(titlename,'.png'))
% Velocity
figure(3)
plot(time_vvel_ascent,vvel_ascent)
hold on
if exist('DATBsample','var')==1
    plot(DATBsample.ftr_time,DATBsample.calc_Vvert)
    legend('Simulation','Data (' ,date,')')

```

```

else
    legend('Simulation')
end
if temp_model == 1
    titlename = char(strcat('Isothermal Vertical velocity vs time ',{ ' },date, sprintf('%g',hour)));
elseif temp_model == 2
    titlename = char(strcat(sprintf('Polytropic %3g Vertical velocity vs time ',np_He),{ ' },date,
    sprintf('%g',hour)));

elseif temp_model == 3
    titlename = char(strcat('Adiabatic Vertical velocity vs time ',{ ' },date, sprintf('%g',hour)));
end
title(titlename)
xlabel('Time [s]')
ylabel('Vertical velocity [m/s]')
saveas(ffigure(3),strcat(titlename, '.png'))
% Flight path (trajectory)
figure(4)
if exist('DATBsample','var')==1
    plot3(DATBsample.ftr_LON,DATBsample.ftr_LAT,DATBsample.ftr_alt,'blue'); hold on
end
plot3(long_ascent,lat_ascent,alt_latlong_ascent,'green'); hold on
scatter3(long_ascent(1),lat_ascent(1),alt_latlong_ascent(1),'green','filled',...
'MarkerEdgeColor',[0 0 0]); hold on
scatter3(long_ascent(end),lat_ascent(end),altitude_ascent(end),'cyan',...
'filled','MarkerEdgeColor',[0 0 0]); hold on
if exist('DATBsample','var')==1
    scatter3(DATBsample.ftr_LON(end),DATBsample.ftr_LAT(end),DATBsample.ftr_alt(end),...
'cyan','filled','MarkerEdgeColor',[0 0 0]);
end
xlabel('Longitude [°]'); ylabel('Latitude [°]'); zlabel('Altitude [m]');
if temp_model == 1
    titlename = char(strcat('Isothermal Flight trajectory vs time ',{ ' },date, sprintf('%g',hour)));
elseif temp_model == 2
    titlename = char(strcat(sprintf('Polytropic %3g Flight trajectory vs time ',np_He),{ ' },date,
    sprintf('%g',hour)));
elseif temp_model == 3
    titlename = char(strcat('Adiabatic Flight trajectory vs time ',{ ' },date, sprintf('%g',hour)));
end
title(titlename)
if exist('DATBsample','var')==1
    legend('Data (Ascension)','Simulation (Ascension)', 'Launch site',...
    'Balloon burst (Simulation)','Balloon burst (Data)')
else
    legend('Simulation (Ascension)', 'Launch site',...
    'Balloon burst (Simulation)')
end
saveas(ffigure(4),strcat(titlename, '.png'))
% Relative wind velocity
figure(5)
plot(t_wind_rel,v_wind_rel(:,1),t_wind_rel,v_wind_rel(:,2),...
t_wind_rel,v_wind_rel(:,3))
xlabel('Time [s]')
ylabel('Relative velocity [m/s]')
legend('Relative wind in x-direction','Relative wind in y-direction',...
'Relative wind in z-direction')
if temp_model == 1
    titlename = char(strcat('Isothermal Relative 3D velocity between wind and balloon',{ ' },date,
    sprintf('%g',hour)));

```

```

elseif temp_model == 2
    titlename = char(strcat(sprintf('Polytropic %3g Relative 3D velocity between wind and
balloon',np_He),{' '},date, sprintf('%g',hour)));

elseif temp_model == 3
    titlename = char(strcat('Adiabatic Relative 3D velocity between wind and balloon',{' '},date,
sprintf('%g',hour)));
end
title(titlename)
saveas(figure(5),strcat(titlename, '.png'));
close all;
cd ..; cd simulation;

%% Outputs
simulation.time=time;
simulation.state=state;
simulation.R=R;
simulation.v_wind=v_wind_rel;
simulation.t_wind=t_wind_rel;

```

```
end
```

### B.6.2. Function ascension

```

function [t,state,Radius,v_wind_rel,t_wind_rel] = ascension(varargin)
% This function simulates the ascension of a helium-filled sounding
% balloon
%
% Input (in form of varargin):
% - z0: Start height [m]
% - vz0: Vertical velocity at start [m/s]
% - t0: Starting time [s]
% - option: Temperature model
% - m_pay: Payload mass + balloon and parachute mass [kg]
% - V_0: Starting helium volume [m³]
% - R_burst: Radius at which balloon bursts [m]
% - lat_0: Starting latitude [°]
% - long_0: Starting longitude [°]
% - wind_dat: Wind data [m/s]
%
% Output:
% - time: Time vector of simulation [s]
% - state: Position and velocity in x-,y- and z-direction for the
%         whole ascension [m]/[m/s]
% - R: Final radius [m]
% - v_wind_rel: Relative wind velocity vector [m/s]
% - t_wind_rel: Relative wind velocity time vector [s]
%
% Manuel Schubert, UPC
% 2018

%% Data and initialisation
z0 = varargin{1};      % Starting altitude [m]
vz0 = varargin{2};     % Starting velocity [m/s]
if vz0 == 0, vz0 = 1E-20; end
year = varargin{3};
dayOfYear = varargin{4};
t0 = varargin{5};      % Starting time [s]
option = varargin{6};  % Temperature Model

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np_He = varargin{7};    % Polytropic index
m_pay = varargin{8};    % Mass of payload [kg]
V_0 = varargin{9};      % Initial Helium volume [m^3]
R_burst = varargin{10}; % Burst Radius [m]
lat_0 = varargin{11};   % Starting latitude [°]
long_0 = varargin{12};  % Starting longitude [°]
wind_dat = varargin{13}; % Wind data [m/s]

% Effective radius [m]
R0 = (V_0*(3/4)/pi).^(1/3);

% Earth radius [m]
R_earth = 6371;

% Initial ambient air parameters
% [T_a0, ~, p_a0, ~, ~] = AtmosUSSA(z0);
[T_a0, ~, p_a0, ~, ~] = atmosNRL(z0, lat_0, long_0, year, dayOfYear, t0);

% Initial balloon temperature equals initial ambient temperature [K]
T_b0 = T_a0;
T_bt = T_b0;

% Thermodynamical properties
R_universal = 8.314;    % Universal gas constant [kgm^2/s^2molK]
rho_He = 0.1685;        % Density of Helium [kg/m^3]
gamma_He = 1.666667;    % Heat capacity ratio He
Cp_He = 5190;           % Specific isobar heat capacity [J/KgK]
kappa_He = 0.149;       % Thermal conductivity [W/m^2K]

% Helium mass [kg]
n_He = p_a0*V_0/(R_universal*mean(T_a0));
m_He = 4e-3*n_He;

% Prepare wind data
% Pressure steps for wind data
p_wind = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.p;
p_wind_vert = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.p_vert;

% Grid
wind.grid_v = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.grid_v;
wind.grid_u = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.grid_u;

% Time steps for wind data
t_wind_steps = [0,6,12,18]*3600;

% Simulation
% Set initial radius
R = R0;

% Time Span
tspan = t0:1:t0+10000;
% Options for solver
options = odeset('Events',@ReachingTop,'RelTol',1e-10,'AbsTol',1e-3,...
    'OutputFcn',@odeplot,'OutputSel',3);
% options = odeset('Events',@ReachingTop,'RelTol',1e-10,'AbsTol',1e-3);
% Initial input
x0 = 0; vx0 = 1E-20; y0 = 0; vy0 = 1E-20;
state0 = [x0;y0;z0;vx0;vy0;vz0];
  
```



```

% Count variables for event
ii = 1; yy = 0; xx = 0; zz = 0;

% Solving of the differential equation
[t,state] = ode45(@rise,tspan,state0,options);

%% Differential equation of ascension
function [X] = rise(t,state)
% This function solves the differential equation for the ascension
% for every time step

% Position from input [m]
x = state(1);
y = state(2);
z = state(3);
% Velocity from input [m/s]
vx = state(4);
vy = state(5);
vz_star = state(6);

%% Wind velocity [m/s]
% Actual time
t_actual = t0+t;
t_first = max(t_wind_steps((t_wind_steps<=t_actual)==1));
t_second = min(t_wind_steps((t_wind_steps>=t_actual)==1));

% Actual position in lat/long
if size(yy)>1
lat = lat_0 + (yy(1:end)/R_earth)*(180/pi);
long = long_0 + (xx(1:end)/R_earth)*(180/pi)/cos(lat*pi/180);
else
lat = lat_0; long = long_0;
end

if long < 0
long = long+360;
end

% Get atmospheric properties from USSA and gravity
[g,~] = GeopotentialModel(z);
% [T_a,~,p_a,rho_a,mu_a] = AtmosUSSA(z);
[T_a,~,p_a,rho_a,mu_a] = atmosNRL(z, lat, long, year, dayOfYear, t_actual);
% Find corresponding values for actual pressure, lat and long
% Pressure
if p_wind(1)<p_a
pos1_a = 1;
else
pos1_a = find(p_wind==min(p_wind((p_a<=p_wind)==1)));
end
if p_a < min(p_wind)
pos1_b = pos1_a;
else
pos1_b = find(p_wind==max(p_wind((p_a>=p_wind)==1)));
end
if abs(p_wind(pos1_a)-p_a)<abs(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_a)
pos1 = pos1_a;
else

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        pos1 = pos1_b;
    end

    % Latitude
    pos2_a = find(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lat==...
        min(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lat((lat<=...
            wind.grid_v{pos1}.lat)==1)));
    pos2_b = find(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lat==...
        max(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lat((lat>=...
            wind.grid_v{pos1}.lat)==1)));

    % Longitude
    pos3_a = find(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon==...
        min(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon((long<=...
            wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon)==1)));
    if long <=360 && long>= 359.5
        pos3_b = find(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon==...
            min(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon((long>=...
                wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon)==1)));
    else
        pos3_b = find(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon==...
            min(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon((long<=...
                wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon)==1)));
    end

    % Positions for vertical velocity pressure
    if p_wind_vert(1)<p_a
        pos4_a = 1;
    else
        pos4_a = find(p_wind_vert==min(p_wind_vert((p_a<=p_wind_vert)==1)));
    end
    if p_a < min(p_wind_vert)
        pos4_b = pos4_a;
    else
        pos4_b = find(p_wind_vert==max(p_wind_vert((p_a>=p_wind_vert)==1)));
    end

    % Interpolation for the time
    for jj=1:2
        % Choosing wind corresponding to time
        if jj == 1
            if t_first == 0
                wind_x = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.wind_u;
                wind_y = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.wind_v;
                wind_z = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.wind_vert;
            elseif t_first == 6*3600
                wind_x = wind_dat{1,2}.wind.wind_u;
                wind_y = wind_dat{1,2}.wind.wind_v;
                wind_z = wind_dat{1,2}.wind.wind_vert;
            elseif t_first == 12*3600
                wind_x = wind_dat{1,3}.wind.wind_u;
                wind_y = wind_dat{1,3}.wind.wind_v;
                wind_z = wind_dat{1,3}.wind.wind_vert;
            elseif t_first == 18*3600
                wind_x = wind_dat{1,4}.wind.wind_u;
                wind_y = wind_dat{1,4}.wind.wind_v;
                wind_z = wind_dat{1,4}.wind.wind_vert;
            end
        elseif jj == 2

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    if t_second == 0
        wind_x = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.wind_u;
        wind_y = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.wind_v;
        wind_z = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.wind_vert;
    elseif t_second == 6*3600
        wind_x = wind_dat{1,2}.wind.wind_u;
        wind_y = wind_dat{1,2}.wind.wind_v;
        wind_z = wind_dat{1,2}.wind.wind_vert;
    elseif t_second == 12*3600
        wind_x = wind_dat{1,3}.wind.wind_u;
        wind_y = wind_dat{1,3}.wind.wind_v;
        wind_z = wind_dat{1,3}.wind.wind_vert;
    elseif t_second == 18*3600
        wind_x = wind_dat{1,4}.wind.wind_u;
        wind_y = wind_dat{1,4}.wind.wind_v;
        wind_z = wind_dat{1,4}.wind.wind_vert;
    end
end

% Corresponding wind velocities to altitude (interpolation between
% altitude, longitude and latitude (8 points))
% X-direction (8 nearest points around actual point)
v_wind_x_000 = wind_x{pos1_a}(pos2_a,pos3_a);
v_wind_x_200 = wind_x{pos1_b}(pos2_a,pos3_a);
v_wind_x_002 = wind_x{pos1_a}(pos2_a,pos3_b);
v_wind_x_202 = wind_x{pos1_b}(pos2_a,pos3_b);
v_wind_x_020 = wind_x{pos1_a}(pos2_b,pos3_a);
v_wind_x_220 = wind_x{pos1_b}(pos2_b,pos3_a);
v_wind_x_022 = wind_x{pos1_a}(pos2_b,pos3_b);
v_wind_x_222 = wind_x{pos1_b}(pos2_b,pos3_b);
% X-direction (Altitude interpolated)
if pos1_a == pos1_b
    v_wind_x_100 = v_wind_x_000;
    v_wind_x_102 = v_wind_x_002;
    v_wind_x_120 = v_wind_x_020;
    v_wind_x_122 = v_wind_x_022;
else
    v_wind_x_100 = v_wind_x_000+((v_wind_x_200-v_wind_x_000)...
    /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a)))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
    v_wind_x_102 = v_wind_x_002+((v_wind_x_202-v_wind_x_002)...
    /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a)))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
    v_wind_x_120 = v_wind_x_020+((v_wind_x_220-v_wind_x_020)...
    /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a)))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
    v_wind_x_122 = v_wind_x_022+((v_wind_x_222-v_wind_x_022)...
    /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a)))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
end
% X-direction (Longitude interpolated)
if pos3_a == pos3_b
    v_wind_x_101 = v_wind_x_100;
    v_wind_x_121 = v_wind_x_120;
else
    v_wind_x_101 = v_wind_x_100+((v_wind_x_102-v_wind_x_100)...
    /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_b)-...
    wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a)))*...
    (long-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a));
    v_wind_x_121 = v_wind_x_120+((v_wind_x_122-v_wind_x_120)...
    /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_b)-...
    wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a)))*...
    (long-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a));

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end
% X-direction (Latitude interpolated)
if pos2_a == pos2_b
    v_wind_x(jj) = v_wind_x_101;
else
    v_wind_x(jj) = v_wind_x_101+((v_wind_x_121-v_wind_x_101)...
        /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_b)-...
        wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_a)))*...
        (lat-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_a));
end

% Y-direction (8 nearest points around actual point)
v_wind_y_000 = wind_y{pos1_a}(pos2_a,pos3_a);
v_wind_y_200 = wind_y{pos1_b}(pos2_a,pos3_a);
v_wind_y_002 = wind_y{pos1_a}(pos2_a,pos3_b);
v_wind_y_202 = wind_y{pos1_b}(pos2_a,pos3_b);
v_wind_y_020 = wind_y{pos1_a}(pos2_b,pos3_a);
v_wind_y_220 = wind_y{pos1_b}(pos2_b,pos3_a);
v_wind_y_022 = wind_y{pos1_a}(pos2_b,pos3_b);
v_wind_y_222 = wind_y{pos1_b}(pos2_b,pos3_b);
% Y-direction (Alitude interpolated)
if pos1_a == pos1_b
    v_wind_y_100 = v_wind_y_000;
    v_wind_y_102 = v_wind_y_002;
    v_wind_y_120 = v_wind_y_020;
    v_wind_y_122 = v_wind_y_022;
else
    v_wind_y_100 = v_wind_y_000+((v_wind_y_200-v_wind_y_000)...
        /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a)))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
    v_wind_y_102 = v_wind_y_002+((v_wind_y_202-v_wind_y_002)...
        /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a)))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
    v_wind_y_120 = v_wind_y_020+((v_wind_y_220-v_wind_y_020)...
        /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a)))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
    v_wind_y_122 = v_wind_y_022+((v_wind_y_222-v_wind_y_022)...
        /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a)))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
end

% Y-direction (Longitude interpolated)
if pos3_a == pos3_b
    v_wind_y_101 = v_wind_y_100;
    v_wind_y_121 = v_wind_y_120;
else
    v_wind_y_101 = v_wind_y_100+((v_wind_y_102-v_wind_y_100)...
        /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_b)-...
        wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a)))*...
        (long-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a));
    v_wind_y_121 = v_wind_y_120+((v_wind_y_122-v_wind_y_120)...
        /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_b)-...
        wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a)))*...
        (long-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a));
end

% Y-direction (Latitude interpolated)
if pos2_a == pos2_b
    v_wind_y(jj) = v_wind_y_101;
else
    v_wind_y(jj) = v_wind_y_101+((v_wind_y_121-v_wind_y_101)...
        /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_b)-...
        wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_a)))*...
        (lat-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_a));

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end

% Z-direction (8 nearest points around actual point)
v_wind_z_000 = wind_z{pos4_a}(pos2_a,pos3_a);
v_wind_z_200 = wind_z{pos4_b}(pos2_a,pos3_a);
v_wind_z_002 = wind_z{pos4_a}(pos2_a,pos3_b);
v_wind_z_202 = wind_z{pos4_b}(pos2_a,pos3_b);
v_wind_z_020 = wind_z{pos4_a}(pos2_b,pos3_a);
v_wind_z_220 = wind_z{pos4_b}(pos2_b,pos3_a);
v_wind_z_022 = wind_z{pos4_a}(pos2_b,pos3_b);
v_wind_z_222 = wind_z{pos4_b}(pos2_b,pos3_b);
% Z-direction (Altitude interpolated)
if pos4_a == pos4_b
    v_wind_z_100 = v_wind_z_000;
    v_wind_z_102 = v_wind_z_002;
    v_wind_z_120 = v_wind_z_020;
    v_wind_z_122 = v_wind_z_022;
else
    v_wind_z_100 = v_wind_z_000+((v_wind_z_200-v_wind_z_000)...
    /(p_wind_vert(pos4_b)-p_wind_vert(pos4_a)))*(p_a-p_wind_vert(pos4_a));
    v_wind_z_102 = v_wind_z_002+((v_wind_z_202-v_wind_z_002)...
    /(p_wind_vert(pos4_b)-p_wind_vert(pos4_a)))*(p_a-p_wind_vert(pos4_a));
    v_wind_z_120 = v_wind_z_020+((v_wind_z_220-v_wind_z_020)...
    /(p_wind_vert(pos4_b)-p_wind_vert(pos4_a)))*(p_a-p_wind_vert(pos4_a));
    v_wind_z_122 = v_wind_z_022+((v_wind_z_222-v_wind_z_022)...
    /(p_wind_vert(pos4_b)-p_wind_vert(pos4_a)))*(p_a-p_wind_vert(pos4_a));
end
% Z-direction (Longitude interpolated)
if pos3_a == pos3_b
    v_wind_z_101 = v_wind_z_100;
    v_wind_z_121 = v_wind_z_120;
else
    v_wind_z_101 = v_wind_z_100+((v_wind_z_102-v_wind_z_100)...
    /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_b)-...
    wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a)))*...
    (long-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a));
    v_wind_z_121 = v_wind_z_120+((v_wind_z_122-v_wind_z_120)...
    /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_b)-...
    wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a)))*...
    (long-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a));
end
% Z-direction (Latitude interpolated)
if pos2_a == pos2_b
    v_wind_z(jj) = v_wind_z_101;
else
    v_wind_z(jj) = v_wind_z_101+((v_wind_z_121-v_wind_z_101)...
    /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_b)-...
    wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_a)))*...
    (lat-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_a));
end
end
if v_wind_x(1) == v_wind_x(2)
    v_wind_x = v_wind_x(1);
else
    v_wind_x = v_wind_x(1)+((v_wind_x(2)-v_wind_x(1))...
    /(t_second-t_first))*(t_actual-t_first);
end
if v_wind_y(1) == v_wind_y(2)

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    v_wind_y = v_wind_y(1);
else
    v_wind_y = v_wind_y(1)+((v_wind_y(2)-v_wind_y(1))...
        /(t_second-t_first))*(t_second-t_actual);
end
if v_wind_z(1) == v_wind_z(2)
    v_wind_z = v_wind_z(1);
else
    v_wind_z = v_wind_z(1)+((v_wind_z(2)-v_wind_z(1))...
        /(t_second-t_first))*(t_second-t_actual);
end

%% Balloon Temperature and Radius depending on model
if option == 1
    T_b = T_a;
    V = n_He*R_universal*T_b./p_a;
    R = (V*(3/4)/pi).^(1/3);
elseif option == 2
    % Polytropic
    T_b = power((p_a/p_a0),((np_He-1)/np_He))*T_bt;
    V = n_He*R_universal*T_b./p_a;
    R = (V*(3/4)/pi).^(1/3);
elseif option ==3
    % Isentropic / Adiabatic
    T_b = power((p_a/p_a0),((gamma_He-1)/gamma_He))*T_bt;
    V = n_He*R_universal*T_b./p_a;
    R = (V*(3/4)/pi).^(1/3);
end

%% Calculate total mass [kg]
V = (R^3)*(4/3)*pi;
% Effective area [m²]
A = pi*R^2;

% Virtual mass [kg]
m_a = rho_a * V;
% Total balloon mass [kg]
m_tot = m_He+m_pay;

%% Get Cd
Re = (rho_a*R*vz_star)/mu_a;

% Drag coefficient [1]
Cd = 0.04808*(log(Re))^2-1.406*log(Re)+10.49;
Cd = real(Cd);

%% Calculate acceleration forces
F_Drag_x = 0.5*Cd*A*rho_a*state(4)*abs(state(4)); % Drag Force x
F_Drag_y = 0.5*Cd*A*rho_a*state(5)*abs(state(5)); % Drag Force y
F_Drag_z = 0.5*Cd*A*rho_a*state(6)*abs(state(6)); % Drag Force z
F_Lift = (m_a - m_tot)*g; % Lift Force

% Wind forces
F_wind_x = 0.5*rho_a*v_wind_x*abs(v_wind_x)*A;
F_wind_y = 0.5*rho_a*v_wind_y*abs(v_wind_y)*A;
F_wind_z = 0.5*rho_a*v_wind_z*abs(v_wind_z)*A;

% Acceleration [m/s²]
dvx = (F_wind_x-F_Drag_x)/m_tot;

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dvy = (F_wind_y-F_Drag_y)/m_tot;
dvz = (F_Lift-F_Drag_z+F_wind_z)/m_tot;

%% Define output (velocity [m/s] and acceleration [m/s²])
X = [state(4);state(5);state(6);dvx;dvz]; X = double(X);

% Relative wind speed
v_wind_rel(ii,1:3) = [state(4)-v_wind_x;state(5)-v_wind_y;...
    state(6)-v_wind_z];
t_wind_rel(ii) = t;

% Parameters of step n stored for step n+1
p_a0 = p_a;
T_bt = T_b;

end

%% Event Function to stop ode45
function [value,isterminal,direction] = ReachingTop(t,state)
% This function serves as event to stop the differential equation
% solver and therefore the simulation
xx(ii) = state(1); yy(ii) = state(2); zz(ii) = state(3); Radius(ii) = R;

% End the simulation, when balloon reaches highest point on the
% trajectory (when it "stops" to rise) or the balloon bursts
if ii>20
    % End Condition
    value = double(mean(zz(ii-20:ii)-zz(ii-20)) > 5E-1 & R_burst >= R);
else
    value = 1;
end
isterminal = 1;    % End calculation after condition is met
direction = 0;     % Local Minimum/Maximum
ii = ii+1;
end

end

```

### B.6.3. Function atmos\_NRL

```

function [T, a, P, rho, mu] = atmosNRL(h, lat, lon, year, dayOfYear, UTseconds)
%%atmosNRL NRLMSISE-00 Atmospheric model function.
% Inputs:
%   h      : Altitude
%   lat     : Latitude
%   lon     : Longitude
%   year    : Launch year
%   dayOfYear : Day of year (1-365/366)
%   UTseconds : Time of day [s]
% Outputs:
%   DATBsample : Structure with information of launch registered
%   during the defined year, month, day and hour
%
% Inputs:
%   - h: Altitude [m]
%
% Outputs:
%   - T: Temperature [K]
%   - a: Speed of sound [m/s]

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% - P: Pressure [Pa]
% - rho: Density [kg/m3]
% - mu: Dynamic viscosity [Ns/m^2]
% Return the temperature and density
[T, rho] = atmosnrlmsise00( h, lat, lon, year, dayOfYear, UTseconds);
T = T(:,2);
% Return the speed of sound
a=sqrt(1.4*287*T);
rho = rho(:,6);
% Return the pressure
P=rho.*(287*T);
% Return the dynamic viscosity
mu=(1.458e-06).*(T^1.5)/(T+110.4);

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#### B.6.4. Function GeopotentialModel

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function [gx,gz] = GeopotentialModel(h,varargin)
% This function calculates the gravity acceleration in x- and z- direction
% using the geopotential gravity model
%
% function [gx,gz] = GeopotentialModel(h,varargin)
%
% Inputs:
% - h: Altitude [m]
% - mu: Standard gravitational parameter [m^3/s^2]
% - R: Radius of the planet [m]
%
% Outputs:
% - gx: Gravity acceleration [m/s^2]
% - gz: Gravity acceleration [m/s^2]
%
% Reference:
% [1]: Arnau Miró, Manel Soria, Suborbital Flight Dynamics, 2016

% Get inputs from varargin
if isempty(varargin)
    mu = 3.986004418E14;
    R = 6371000.785;
else
    mu = varargin{1};
    R = varargin{2};
end

% Radius of the orbit [m]
r = h+R;

% Calculation of the gravitational acceleration components [m/s^2]
% x component
gx = mu/power(r,2);
% z component
gz = 0;

end

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#### B.7. Script MAIN\_Plot\_day

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% This script plots altitude, vertical velocity, trajectory, and relative
% wind for a given day and several values of polytropic index

clear;close all;clc;

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%% Input data
% Date
year = 2017; month = 2; day = 14; hour = 0;

%% Experimental Data load
[ DATByyyymm ] = file_load( year, month );
[ DATBsample ] = data_identification(DATByyyymm, day, hour);

%% Simulation Data load
% Date
yyyy = sprintf('%d', year);
if month < 10
    mm = sprintf('0%d', month);
else
    mm = sprintf('%d', month);
end
if day < 10
    dd = sprintf('0%d', day);
else
    dd = sprintf('%d', day);
end
date = [yyyy, mm, dd];
cd Results;
load(strcat(date, 'simulation'), 'simulation')
cd ..;
% Polytropic index
np_He = 0:0.05:1.6;
np_He(np_He==1)=[];
np_He = [1, np_He, 1.67];
if hour == 12
    simulation = simulation(day, :);
elseif hour == 0
    simulation = simulation(day+eomday(year, month), :);
end
cd Results;

%% Altitude plot
for j = 1:length(np_He)
    np_sel = np_He(j);
    % Simulation data for selected polytropic index
    sim = simulation(np_He==np_sel);
    time = sim.time-sim.time(1);           % time [s]
    altitude_ascent = sim.state(:,3);       % Altitude [m]
    figure(2)
    plot1(j) = plot(time, altitude_ascent, 'Color', [0, rand(1,2)]);
    % Create multiple lines using matrix input to plot
    DisplayName = sprintf('n = %3g', np_He(j));
    set(plot1(j), 'DisplayName', DisplayName);
    hold on
end
if exist('DATBsample', 'var')==1
    plot1(j+1) = plot(DATBsample.ftr_time, DATBsample.ftr_alt, 'LineWidth', 2, 'Color', 'r');
    set(plot1(j+1), 'DisplayName', ['Data (' , date, ')']);
else
end
% Create legend
legend('show');
set(legend, 'NumColumns', 4, 'Location', 'southeast');

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titlename = char(strcat(date, sprintf('%g',hour), ' Altitude vs time'));
title(titlename)
xlabel('Time [s]')
ylabel('Altitude [m]')
% Enlarge figure to full screen.
set(gcf, 'Units', 'Normalized', 'OuterPosition', [0 0 1 1]);
saveas(figure(2),strcat(titlename,'.fig'))
cd ..;

%% Change of slope point calculation
limit = floor(length(DATBSample.calc_Vvert)/100);
Vvert_av100 = zeros(1,limit*100);
time_av100 = DATBSample.ftr_time(1:limit*100);
for j = 1:limit
    step = j*100;
    Vvert_av100(step-99:step) = mean(DATBSample.calc_Vvert(step-99:step));
end
figure; plot(time_av100,Vvert_av100,'LineWidth',2,'Color', 'r')
legend(['Simulation',' n = ', sprintf('%g',np_sel)],['Data (' ,date,')'])

diference = abs(Vvert_av100(2:end)-Vvert_av100(1:end-1));
time_change = time_av100(diference==max(diference));

%% Fit calculations
% 1st segment
ECM_1st = zeros(length(np_He),1);
for i = 1:length(np_He)
    np_sel = np_He(i);
    sim = simulation(np_He==np_sel); % Simulation data for selected polytropic index
    time = sim.time-sim.time(1); % time [s]
    altitude_ascent = sim.state(:,3); % Altitude [m]
    time_max = min(time_change,max(time));
    error_q_alt=zeros(length(DATBSample.ftr_alt(DATBSample.ftr_time<time_max)),1);

    for j = 1:length(error_q_alt)
        error_q_alt(j) = (DATBSample.ftr_alt(j) - altitude_ascent(time==DATBSample.ftr_time(j)))^2;
    end
    if time_max == time_change
        ECM_1st(i) = sum(error_q_alt)/size(error_q_alt,2);
    else
        ECM_1st(i) = max(ECM_1st)+1;
    end
end
np_He_1st = np_He(ECM_1st==min(ECM_1st));

% 2nd segment
ECM_2nd = zeros(length(np_He),1);
for i = 1:length(np_He)
    np_sel = np_He(i);
    sim = simulation(np_He==np_sel); % Simulation data for selected polytropic index
    time = sim.time-sim.time(1); % time [s]
    vvel_ascent = sim.state(:,6); % Vertical speed [m/s]
    time_min = time_change;
    time_max = DATBSample.ftr_time(end);
    error_q_Vvert=zeros(length(DATBSample.ftr_alt(DATBSample.ftr_time>=time_min)),1);

    time_change_index = find(DATBSample.ftr_time==time_min);
    for j = 1:length(error_q_Vvert)
        if and(max(time)>time_min,max(time)>=time_max)

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    error_q_Vvert(j) = (DATBsample.calc_Vvert(time_change_index+j-1) - ...

vvel_ascent(time==DATBsample.ftr_time(DATBsample.ftr_time==DATBsample.ftr_time(time_ch
ange_index+j-1))))^2;
    else
        error_q_Vvert(j) = 1000;
    end
end
if and(max(time)>time_min,max(time)>=time_max)
    ECM_2nd(i) = sum(error_q_Vvert)/size(error_q_Vvert,2);
else
    ECM_2nd(i) = max(ECM_2nd)+1;
end
end
np_He_2nd = np_He(ECM_2nd==min(ECM_2nd));

%% Outputs
fprintf('Slope change point at t = %1.0f s \n', time_change)
fprintf('Segment 1 polytropic index = %1.2f \n', np_He_1st)
fprintf('Segment 2 initial polytropic index = %1.2f \n', np_He_2nd)

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## B.8. Script Main\_Fit\_Day

% This script is used to define the best fit using the initial estimations  
 % as well as the point of change of slope found in script Main\_Plot\_Day.

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clear; close all

% save month: 1 to save month data
savemonth = 0;
save = 0;

%% Main_Plot_Day outputs
slope_point = 1730;      % Slope point time [s]
np_He_1st = 0.6;         % Polytropic index of semgent 1
np_He_2nd = 0.95;        % Polytropic index of semgent 2

%% Date of flight
year = 2017;
month=4;
day = 14;
hour =12;
yyyy = sprintf('%d',year);
if month <10
    mm = sprintf('0%d',month);
else
    mm = sprintf('%d',month);
end
if day <10
    dd = sprintf('0%d',day);
else
    dd = sprintf('%d',day);
end
date = [yyyy,mm,dd];

%% Temperature Model:
% 1: Balloon Temperature = Ambient Temperature + ideal gas law
% 2: Polytropic model + ideal gas law
% 3: Polytropic or Isentropic/adiabatic model + ideal gas law

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temp_model = 2;

%% Wind data
if exist(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '0000','.mat'], 'file') == 2
    wind00 = load(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '0000','.mat']);
    wind{1} = wind00;
end
if exist(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '0600','.mat'], 'file') == 2
    wind06 = load(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '0600','.mat']);
    wind{2} = wind06;
end
if exist(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '1200','.mat'], 'file') == 2
    wind12 = load(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '1200','.mat']);
    wind{3} = wind12;
end
if exist(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '1800','.mat'], 'file') == 2
    wind18 = load(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '1800','.mat']);
    wind{4} = wind18;
end

%% Load Launch data
cd ..; cd ..;
[ DATByyyymm ] = file_load( year, month );
[ DATBsample ] = data_identification(DATByyyymm,day, hour);
cd simulation;
if ~isempty(DATBsample.ftr_alt)
    if exist(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '0000','.mat'], 'file') == 2 ...
        && exist(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '0600','.mat'], 'file') == 2 ...
        && exist(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '1200','.mat'], 'file') == 2 ...
        && exist(['wind_data/wind_',date,'_', '1800','.mat'], 'file') == 2 ...

        %% 1st segment Simulation
        % Starting time [h]
        real_hour = hour-1;
        if real_hour<0
            real_hour = real_hour+24;
        end
        % Starting time [s]
        ini.t0 = real_hour*3600;
        % Simulation time deviation [s]
        ini.sim_time = 0;
        % Ascent parameters
        % Earth radius [m]
        R_earth = 6371000;
        % Polytropic index
        np_He1 = np_He_1st;
        % Starting latitude [°]
        ini.lat_0_a = DATBsample.ftr_LAT(1);
        % Starting longitude [°]
        ini.long_0_a = DATBsample.ftr_LON(1);
        % Starting altitude [m]
        ini.z0_a = DATBsample.ftr_alt(1);
        % Starting x position [m]
        ini.x_0 = (ini.lat_0_a - DATBsample.ftr_LAT(1)).*R_earth.*(pi/180);
        % Starting y position [m]
        ini.y_0 = (ini.long_0_a - DATBsample.ftr_LON(1)).*R_earth.*(pi/180);
        % Starting z velocity [m/s]
        ini.vz0_a = 0;
        % Starting x velocity [m/s]
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ini.vx0_a = 0;
% Starting y velocity [m/s]
ini.vy0_a = 0;
% Starting volume [m^3]
ini.V_0= 1.1; % Initial Helium volume [m^3]
ini0 = ini; % Initial conditions at ground
[simulation1] = segment(date, hour, ini, ini, DATBsample, wind, temp_model, np_He1);

%% 2nd segment Simulation
% Starting time [s]
ini2.t0 = real_hour*3600;
% Simulation time deviation [s]
ini2.sim_time = slope_point;
% Ascent parameters
% Polytropic index
np_He2 = np_He_2nd;
% Starting latitude [°]
ini2.lat_0_a = DATBsample.ftr_LAT(simulation1.time==ini2.t0);
% Starting longitude [°]
ini2.long_0_a = DATBsample.ftr_LON(simulation1.time==ini2.t0);
% Starting altitude [m]
z_a = simulation1.state(:,3);
ini2.z0_a = z_a(simulation1.time==ini2.t0+ini2.sim_time);
% Starting x position [m]
x_0 = simulation1.state(:,1);
ini2.x_0 = x_0(simulation1.time==ini2.t0+ini2.sim_time);
% Starting y position [m]
y_0 = simulation1.state(:,2);
ini2.y_0 = y_0(simulation1.time==ini2.t0+ini2.sim_time);
% Starting z velocity [m/s]
vz_a = simulation1.state(:,6);
ini2.vz0_a = vz_a(simulation1.time==ini2.t0+ini2.sim_time);
% Starting x velocity [m/s]
vx_a = simulation1.state(:,4);
ini2.vx0_a = vx_a(simulation1.time==ini2.t0+ini2.sim_time);
% Starting y velocity [m/s]
vy_a = simulation1.state(:,5);
ini2.vy0_a = vy_a(simulation1.time==ini2.t0+ini2.sim_time);
% Starting volume [m^3]
R = simulation1.R(ini2.sim_time);
ini2.V_0 = (R^3)*(4/3)*pi;
[simulation2] = segment(date, hour, ini2, ini0, DATBsample, wind, temp_model,
np_He2);
end
end
simulation.time=[simulation1.time(1:ini2.sim_time);simulation2.time]-simulation1.time(1);
simulation.state=[simulation1.state(1:ini2.sim_time,:);simulation2.state];
simulation.R=[simulation1.R(1:ini2.sim_time) simulation2.R];
simulation.v_wind=[simulation1.v_wind(1:ini2.sim_time,:);simulation2.v_wind];
simulation.t_wind=[simulation1.t_wind(1:ini2.sim_time) simulation2.t_wind];
%% Simulation postprocess plots and outputs
[h, lat, lon] = postprocess_ascent(date, hour, ini, np_He1, np_He2, DATBsample, simulation);
final_position = [h(end); lat(end); lon(end)];
final_position_data =
[DATBsample.ftr_alt(end); DATBsample.ftr_LAT(end); DATBsample.ftr_LON(end)];
final_toexcel = [final_position_data final_position];
if save == 1
cd ..; cd ..; cd Results;

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save(strcat(date,'simulation'),'simulation');
cd ..; cd simulation;
end
if savemonth == 1
    cd ..; cd ..; cd Results;
    save(strcat(date(1:6),'simulation'),'simulation');
    cd ..; cd simulation;
end

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### B.8.1. Function segment

%segment Calculates the simulation for each fit which corresponds to  
%certain polytropic index for each ascent segment.

% Inputs:

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% date      : Date of launch in format yyyyymmdd
% hour      : Launch hour GMT+1 [h]
% ini       : Structure with segment initial conditions
% ini0      : Structure with launch initial conditions
% DATBsample : Structure with information of launch registered
% wind      : Structure with wind data
% temp_model : Temperature model used in simulation
% 1: Balloon Temperature = Ambient Temperature + ideal gas law
% 2: Polytropic model + ideal gas law
% 3: Polytropic or Isentropic/adiabatic model + ideal gas law
% np_He     : Structure with launch initial conditions
% Outputs:
% simulation : Structure containing simulation outputs

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%% Real launch data

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year = str2double(date(1:4));
month = str2double(date(5:6));
day = str2double(date(7:8));
if np_He == 1
    temp_model = 1;
elseif np_He == 1.67
    temp_model = 2;
else
end
if month ~= 1
    dayOfYear = day + sum(eomday(year,1:(month-1)));
else
    dayOfYear = day;
end

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%% Parameters

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% Mass of payload [kg]
m_pay = 0.2;
% Mass of balloon [kg]
m_b = 0.35;
% Mass of parachute [kg]
m_p = 0.0; % Approximate value
% Mass of whole structure [kg]
m_s = m_pay+m_b+m_p;
% Initial Helium volume [m^3]
V_0 = ini0.V_0;
% [T_b0, ~, P_b0, rho_b0, ~] = AtmosUSSA(ini.z0_a);
[T_b0, ~, P_b0, ~, ~] = atmosNRL(ini0.z0_a, ini0.lat_0_a, ini0.long_0_a, year, dayOfYear,
ini0.t0);
% Burst Radius [m]
hmax = max(DATBsample.ftr_alt);

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lat_hmax = DATBsample.ftr_LAT(DATBsample.ftr_alt==max(DATBsample.ftr_alt));
lon_hmax = DATBsample.ftr_LON(DATBsample.ftr_alt==max(DATBsample.ftr_alt));
time_hmax = ini.t0+DATBsample.ftr_time(DATBsample.ftr_alt==max(DATBsample.ftr_alt));
[T_burst, ~, P_burst, ~, ~] = atmosNRL(hmax, lat_hmax, lon_hmax, year, dayOfYear,
time_hmax);
V_burst = (P_b0*V_0/(8.314*T_b0))*8.314*(T_burst/P_burst);
R_burst = (0.75*V_burst/pi)^(1/3);

%% Plot experiment for live plot
% Altitude
if exist('DATBsample','var')==1
    figure
    % plot(ascend.time_alt,ascend.altitude)
    plot(DATBsample.ftr_time+ini.t0,DATBsample.ftr_alt)
    if temp_model ==1
        titlename = char(strcat('Isothermal Altitude vs time ','{ '},date, sprintf('%g',hour)));
    elseif temp_model == 2
        titlename = char(strcat(sprintf('Polytropic %3g Altitude vs time ',np_He),{' '},date,
        sprintf('%g',hour)));

    elseif temp_model == 3
        titlename = char(strcat('Adiabatic Altitude vs time ','{ '},date, sprintf('%g',hour)));
    end
    title(titlename)
    hold on
end
tic
%% Ascent Simulation
[time,state,R,v_wind_rel,t_wind_rel] = ...
    ascensionV2(ini,year,dayOfYear,temp_model,np_He,m_s,R_burst,wind,ini0);
toc

%% Outputs
simulation.time=time;
simulation.state=state;
simulation.R=R;
simulation.v_wind=v_wind_rel;
simulation.t_wind=t_wind_rel;
close all;
end

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### B.8.2. Function ascensionV2

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function [t,state,Radius,v_wind_rel,t_wind_rel] = ascensionV2(varargin)
%ascensionV2 is a modification to function ascension, that calculates the
%balloon's trajectory in ascension, with the possibility of starting the
%simulation at a certain point of the trajectory.
% Inputs:
%   ini      : Structure with segment initial conditions
%   year     : Year of launch
%   dayOfYear : Simulation day counting from 1st Jan
%   temp_model : Temperature model used in simulation
%   1: Balloon Temperature = Ambient Temperature + ideal gas law
%   2: Polytropic model + ideal gas law
%   3: Polytropic or Isentropic/adiabatic model + ideal gas law
%   np_He    : Segment polytropic index
%   m_s      : Mass of whole structure [kg]
%   R_burst  : Burst Radius [m]

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% lat_0_a : Starting latitude [°]
% lon_0_a : Starting longitude [°]
% wind : Structure with wind data
% ini0 : Structure with launch initial conditions
% Outputs:
% time : Time vector of simulation [s]
% state : Position and velocity in x-,y- and z-direction for
% the whole ascension [m]/[m/s]
% Radius : Final radius [m]
% v_wind_rel : Relative wind velocity vector [m/s]
% t_wind_rel : Relative wind velocity time vector [s]

%% Data and initialisation
x0 = varargin{1}.x_0; % Starting position [m]
y0 = varargin{1}.y_0;
z0 = varargin{1}.z0_a;
vx0 = varargin{1}.vx0_a; % Starting velocity [m/s]
vy0 = varargin{1}.vy0_a;
vz0 = varargin{1}.vz0_a;
V_0 = varargin{1}.V_0; % Initial Helium volume [m^3]
if vz0 == 0, vz0 = 1E-20; end
if vx0 == 0, vx0 = 1E-20; end
if vy0 == 0, vy0 = 1E-20; end
lat_0 = varargin{1}.lat_0_a; % Starting latitude [°]
long_0 = varargin{1}.long_0_a; % Starting longitude [°]
t0 = varargin{1}.t0; % Starting time [s]
sim_time = varargin{1}.sim_time; % Simulation deviation time [s]
year = varargin{2};
dayOfYear = varargin{3};
option = varargin{4}; % Temperature Model
np_He = varargin{5}; % Polytropic index
m_pay = varargin{6}; % Mass of payload [kg]
R_burst = varargin{7}; % Burst Radius [m]
wind_dat = varargin{8}; % Wind data [m/s]

z00 = varargin{9}.z0_a; % Starting position [m]
lat_00 = varargin{9}.lat_0_a; % Ground Starting latitude [°]
long_00 = varargin{9}.long_0_a; % Ground Starting longitude [°]

% Effective radius [m]
R0 = (V_0*(3/4)/pi).^(1/3);

% Earth radius [m]
R_earth = 6371;

% Initial ambient air parameters
% [T_a00, ~, p_a00, ~, ~] = AtmosUSSA(z0);
[T_a00, ~, p_a00, ~, ~] = atmosNRL(z00, lat_00, long_00, year, dayOfYear, t0);
[T_a0, ~, p_a0, ~, ~] = atmosNRL(z0, lat_0, long_0, year, dayOfYear, t0);
% Initial balloon temperature equals initial ambient temperature [K]
T_b0 = T_a00;
T_bt = T_b0;

% Thermodynamical properties
R_universal = 8.314; % Universal gas constant [kgm^2/s^2molK]
rho_He = 0.1685; % Density of Helium [kg/m^3]
gamma_He = 1.666667; % Heat capacity ratio He
Cp_He = 5190; % Specific isobar heat capacity [J/KgK]
kappa_He = 0.149; % Thermal conductivity [W/m^2K]
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% Helium mass [kg]
n_He = p_a0*V_0/(R_universal*mean(T_a0));
m_He = 4e-3*n_He;

% Prepare wind data
% Pressure steps for wind data
p_wind = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.p;
p_wind_vert = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.p_vert;

% Grid
wind.grid_v = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.grid_v;
wind.grid_u = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.grid_u;

% Time steps for wind data
t_wind_steps = [0,6,12,18]*3600;

% Simulation
% Set initial radius
R = R0;

% Time Span
tspan = t0+sim_time:1:t0+sim_time+10000;
% Options for solver
options = odeset('Events',@ReachingTop,'RelTol',1e-10,'AbsTol',1e-3,...
    'OutputFcn',@odeplot,'OutputSel',3);
% options = odeset('Events',@ReachingTop,'RelTol',1e-10,'AbsTol',1e-3);
% Initial input

state0 = [x0;y0;z0;vx0;vy0;vz0];

% Count variables for event
ii = 1; yy = 0; xx = 0; zz = 0;

% Solving of the differential equation
[t,state] = ode45(@rise,tspan,state0,options);

%% Differential equation of ascension
function [X] = rise(t,state)
% This function solves the differential equation for the ascension
% for every time step

% Position from input [m]
x = state(1);
y = state(2);
z = state(3);
% Velocity from input [m/s]
vx = state(4);
vy = state(5);
vz_star = state(6);

%% Wind velocity [m/s]
% Actual time
t_actual = t;
% if t_actual > 40925%40925
% warning('Point reached')
% end

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t_first = max(t_wind_steps((t_wind_steps<=t_actual)==1));
t_second = min(t_wind_steps((t_wind_steps>=t_actual)==1));
% Actual position in lat/long
if size(yy)>1
lat = lat_0 + (yy(1:end)/R_earth)*(180/pi);
long = long_0 + (xx(1:end)/R_earth)*(180/pi)/cos(lat*pi/180);
else
lat = lat_0; long = long_0;
end

if long < 0
long = long+360;
end

% Get atmospheric properties from USSA and gravity
[g,~] = GeopotentialModel(z);
% [T_a,~,p_a,rho_a,mu_a] = AtmosUSSA(z);
[T_a,~,p_a,rho_a,mu_a] = atmosNRL(z, lat, long, year, dayOfYear, t_actual);
% Find corresponding values for actual pressure, lat and long
% Pressure
if p_wind(1)<p_a
pos1_a = 1;
else
pos1_a = find(p_wind==min(p_wind((p_a<=p_wind)==1)));
end
if p_a < min(p_wind)
pos1_b = pos1_a;
else
pos1_b = find(p_wind==max(p_wind((p_a>=p_wind)==1)));
end
if abs(p_wind(pos1_a)-p_a)<abs(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_a)
pos1 = pos1_a;
else
pos1 = pos1_b;
end

% Latitude
pos2_a = find(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lat==...
min(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lat((lat<=...
wind.grid_v{pos1}.lat)==1)));
pos2_b = find(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lat==...
max(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lat((lat>=...
wind.grid_v{pos1}.lat)==1)));

% Longitude
pos3_a = find(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon==...
min(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon((long<=...
wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon)==1)));
if long <=360 && long>= 359.5
pos3_b = find(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon==...
min(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon((long>=...
wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon)==1)));
else
pos3_b = find(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon==...
min(wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon((long<=...
wind.grid_v{pos1}.lon)==1)));
end

% Positions for vertical velocity pressure

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if p_wind_vert(1)<p_a
    pos4_a = 1;
else
    pos4_a = find(p_wind_vert==min(p_wind_vert((p_a<=p_wind_vert)==1)));
end
if p_a < min(p_wind_vert)
    pos4_b = pos4_a;
else
    pos4_b = find(p_wind_vert==max(p_wind_vert((p_a>=p_wind_vert)==1)));
end

% Interpolation for the time
for jj=1:2
    % Choosing wind corresponding to time
    if jj == 1
        if t_first == 0
            wind_x = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.wind_u;
            wind_y = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.wind_v;
            wind_z = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.wind_vert;
        elseif t_first == 6*3600
            wind_x = wind_dat{1,2}.wind.wind_u;
            wind_y = wind_dat{1,2}.wind.wind_v;
            wind_z = wind_dat{1,2}.wind.wind_vert;
        elseif t_first == 12*3600
            wind_x = wind_dat{1,3}.wind.wind_u;
            wind_y = wind_dat{1,3}.wind.wind_v;
            wind_z = wind_dat{1,3}.wind.wind_vert;
        elseif t_first == 18*3600
            wind_x = wind_dat{1,4}.wind.wind_u;
            wind_y = wind_dat{1,4}.wind.wind_v;
            wind_z = wind_dat{1,4}.wind.wind_vert;
        end
    elseif jj == 2
        if t_second == 0
            wind_x = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.wind_u;
            wind_y = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.wind_v;
            wind_z = wind_dat{1,1}.wind.wind_vert;
        elseif t_second == 6*3600
            wind_x = wind_dat{1,2}.wind.wind_u;
            wind_y = wind_dat{1,2}.wind.wind_v;
            wind_z = wind_dat{1,2}.wind.wind_vert;
        elseif t_second == 12*3600
            wind_x = wind_dat{1,3}.wind.wind_u;
            wind_y = wind_dat{1,3}.wind.wind_v;
            wind_z = wind_dat{1,3}.wind.wind_vert;
        elseif t_second == 18*3600
            wind_x = wind_dat{1,4}.wind.wind_u;
            wind_y = wind_dat{1,4}.wind.wind_v;
            wind_z = wind_dat{1,4}.wind.wind_vert;
        end
    end
end

% Corresponding wind velocities to altitude (interpolation between
% altitude, longitude and latitude (8 points))
% X-direction (8 nearest points around actual point)
v_wind_x_000 = wind_x{pos1_a}(pos2_a,pos3_a);
v_wind_x_200 = wind_x{pos1_b}(pos2_a,pos3_a);
v_wind_x_002 = wind_x{pos1_a}(pos2_a,pos3_b);
v_wind_x_202 = wind_x{pos1_b}(pos2_a,pos3_b);

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v_wind_x_020 = wind_x{pos1_a}(pos2_b,pos3_a);
v_wind_x_220 = wind_x{pos1_b}(pos2_b,pos3_a);
v_wind_x_022 = wind_x{pos1_a}(pos2_b,pos3_b);
v_wind_x_222 = wind_x{pos1_b}(pos2_b,pos3_b);
% X-direction (Alitude interpolated)
if pos1_a == pos1_b
    v_wind_x_100 = v_wind_x_000;
    v_wind_x_102 = v_wind_x_002;
    v_wind_x_120 = v_wind_x_020;
    v_wind_x_122 = v_wind_x_022;
else
    v_wind_x_100 = v_wind_x_000+((v_wind_x_200-v_wind_x_000)...
    /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a)))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
    v_wind_x_102 = v_wind_x_002+((v_wind_x_202-v_wind_x_002)...
    /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a)))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
    v_wind_x_120 = v_wind_x_020+((v_wind_x_220-v_wind_x_020)...
    /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a)))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
    v_wind_x_122 = v_wind_x_022+((v_wind_x_222-v_wind_x_022)...
    /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a)))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
end
% X-direction (Longitude interpolated)
if pos3_a == pos3_b
    v_wind_x_101 = v_wind_x_100;
    v_wind_x_121 = v_wind_x_120;
else
    v_wind_x_101 = v_wind_x_100+((v_wind_x_102-v_wind_x_100)...
    /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_b)-...
    wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a)))*...
    (long-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a));
    v_wind_x_121 = v_wind_x_120+((v_wind_x_122-v_wind_x_120)...
    /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_b)-...
    wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a)))*...
    (long-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a));
end
% X-direction (Latitude interpolated)
if pos2_a == pos2_b
    v_wind_x(jj) = v_wind_x_101;
else
    v_wind_x(jj) = v_wind_x_101+((v_wind_x_121-v_wind_x_101)...
    /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_b)-...
    wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_a)))*...
    (lat-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_a));
end

% Y-direction (8 nearest points around actual point)
v_wind_y_000 = wind_y{pos1_a}(pos2_a,pos3_a);
v_wind_y_200 = wind_y{pos1_b}(pos2_a,pos3_a);
v_wind_y_002 = wind_y{pos1_a}(pos2_a,pos3_b);
v_wind_y_202 = wind_y{pos1_b}(pos2_a,pos3_b);
v_wind_y_020 = wind_y{pos1_a}(pos2_b,pos3_a);
v_wind_y_220 = wind_y{pos1_b}(pos2_b,pos3_a);
v_wind_y_022 = wind_y{pos1_a}(pos2_b,pos3_b);
v_wind_y_222 = wind_y{pos1_b}(pos2_b,pos3_b);
% Y-direction (Alitude interpolated)
if pos1_a == pos1_b
    v_wind_y_100 = v_wind_y_000;
    v_wind_y_102 = v_wind_y_002;
    v_wind_y_120 = v_wind_y_020;
    v_wind_y_122 = v_wind_y_022;

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else
    v_wind_y_100 = v_wind_y_000+((v_wind_y_200-v_wind_y_000)...
    /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
    v_wind_y_102 = v_wind_y_002+((v_wind_y_202-v_wind_y_002)...
    /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
    v_wind_y_120 = v_wind_y_020+((v_wind_y_220-v_wind_y_020)...
    /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
    v_wind_y_122 = v_wind_y_022+((v_wind_y_222-v_wind_y_022)...
    /(p_wind(pos1_b)-p_wind(pos1_a))*(p_a-p_wind(pos1_a));
end

% Y-direction (Longitude interpolated)
if pos3_a == pos3_b
    v_wind_y_101 = v_wind_y_100;
    v_wind_y_121 = v_wind_y_120;
else
    v_wind_y_101 = v_wind_y_100+((v_wind_y_102-v_wind_y_100)...
    /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_b)-...
    wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a))*...
    (long-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a));
    v_wind_y_121 = v_wind_y_120+((v_wind_y_122-v_wind_y_120)...
    /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_b)-...
    wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a))*...
    (long-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a));
end

% Y-direction (Latitude interpolated)
if pos2_a == pos2_b
    v_wind_y(jj) = v_wind_y_101;
else
    v_wind_y(jj) = v_wind_y_101+((v_wind_y_121-v_wind_y_101)...
    /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_b)-...
    wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_a))*...
    (lat-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_a));
end

% Z-direction (8 nearest points around actual point)
v_wind_z_000 = wind_z{pos4_a}(pos2_a,pos3_a);
v_wind_z_200 = wind_z{pos4_b}(pos2_a,pos3_a);
v_wind_z_002 = wind_z{pos4_a}(pos2_a,pos3_b);
v_wind_z_202 = wind_z{pos4_b}(pos2_a,pos3_b);
v_wind_z_020 = wind_z{pos4_a}(pos2_b,pos3_a);
v_wind_z_220 = wind_z{pos4_b}(pos2_b,pos3_a);
v_wind_z_022 = wind_z{pos4_a}(pos2_b,pos3_b);
v_wind_z_222 = wind_z{pos4_b}(pos2_b,pos3_b);
% Z-direction (Altitude interpolated)
if pos4_a == pos4_b
    v_wind_z_100 = v_wind_z_000;
    v_wind_z_102 = v_wind_z_002;
    v_wind_z_120 = v_wind_z_020;
    v_wind_z_122 = v_wind_z_022;
else
    v_wind_z_100 = v_wind_z_000+((v_wind_z_200-v_wind_z_000)...
    /(p_wind_vert(pos4_b)-p_wind_vert(pos4_a))*(p_a-p_wind_vert(pos4_a));
    v_wind_z_102 = v_wind_z_002+((v_wind_z_202-v_wind_z_002)...
    /(p_wind_vert(pos4_b)-p_wind_vert(pos4_a))*(p_a-p_wind_vert(pos4_a));
    v_wind_z_120 = v_wind_z_020+((v_wind_z_220-v_wind_z_020)...
    /(p_wind_vert(pos4_b)-p_wind_vert(pos4_a))*(p_a-p_wind_vert(pos4_a));
    v_wind_z_122 = v_wind_z_022+((v_wind_z_222-v_wind_z_022)...

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        /(p_wind_vert(pos4_b)-p_wind_vert(pos4_a))*(p_a-p_wind_vert(pos4_a));
    end
    % Z-direction (Longitude interpolated)
    if pos3_a == pos3_b
        v_wind_z_101 = v_wind_z_100;
        v_wind_z_121 = v_wind_z_120;
    else
        v_wind_z_101 = v_wind_z_100+((v_wind_z_102-v_wind_z_100)...
            /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_b)-...
            wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a)))*...
            (long-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a));
        v_wind_z_121 = v_wind_z_120+((v_wind_z_122-v_wind_z_120)...
            /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_b)-...
            wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a)))*...
            (long-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lon(pos3_a));
    end
    % Z-direction (Latitude interpolated)
    if pos2_a == pos2_b
        v_wind_z(jj) = v_wind_z_101;
    else
        v_wind_z(jj) = v_wind_z_101+((v_wind_z_121-v_wind_z_101)...
            /(wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_b)-...
            wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_a)))*...
            (lat-wind.grid_u{pos1}.lat(pos2_a));
    end
end
end
if v_wind_x(1) == v_wind_x(2)
    v_wind_x = v_wind_x(1);
else
    v_wind_x = v_wind_x(1)+((v_wind_x(2)-v_wind_x(1))...
        /(t_second-t_first))*(t_actual-t_first);
end
if v_wind_y(1) == v_wind_y(2)
    v_wind_y = v_wind_y(1);
else
    v_wind_y = v_wind_y(1)+((v_wind_y(2)-v_wind_y(1))...
        /(t_second-t_first))*(t_second-t_actual);
end
if v_wind_z(1) == v_wind_z(2)
    v_wind_z = v_wind_z(1);
else
    v_wind_z = v_wind_z(1)+((v_wind_z(2)-v_wind_z(1))...
        /(t_second-t_first))*(t_second-t_actual);
end

%% Balloon Temperature and Radius depending on model
if option == 1
    T_b = T_a;
elseif option == 2
    % Polytropic
    T_b = power((p_a/p_a00),((np_He-1)/np_He))*T_bt;
elseif option == 3
    % Isentropic / Adiabatic
    T_b = power((p_a/p_a00),((gamma_He-1)/gamma_He))*T_bt;
end
V = n_He*R_universal*T_b./p_a;
R = (V*(3/4)/pi).^(1/3);
%% Calculate total mass [kg]
% Effective area [m²]

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A = pi*R^2;
% Virtual mass [kg]
m_a = rho_a * V;
% Total balloon mass [kg]
m_tot = m_He+m_pay;

%% Get Cd
Re = (rho_a*R*vz_star)/mu_a;

% Drag coefficient [1]
Cd = 0.04808*(log(Re))^2-1.406*log(Re)+10.49;
Cd = real(Cd);

%% Calculate acceleration forces
F_Drag_x = 0.5*Cd*A*rho_a*state(4)*abs(state(4)); % Drag Force x
F_Drag_y = 0.5*Cd*A*rho_a*state(5)*abs(state(5)); % Drag Force y
F_Drag_z = 0.5*Cd*A*rho_a*state(6)*abs(state(6)); % Drag Force z
F_Lift = (m_a - m_tot)*g; % Lift Force

% Wind forces
F_wind_x = 0.5*rho_a*v_wind_x*abs(v_wind_x)*A;
F_wind_y = 0.5*rho_a*v_wind_y*abs(v_wind_y)*A;
F_wind_z = 0.5*rho_a*v_wind_z*abs(v_wind_z)*A;

% Acceleration [m/s^2]
dvx = (F_wind_x-F_Drag_x)/m_tot;
dvy = (F_wind_y-F_Drag_y)/m_tot;
dvz = (F_Lift-F_Drag_z+F_wind_z)/m_tot;

%% Define output (velocity [m/s] and acceleration [m/s^2])
X = [state(4);state(5);state(6);dvx;dvy;dvz]; X = double(X);

% Relative wind speed
v_wind_rel(ii,1:3) = [state(4)-v_wind_x;state(5)-v_wind_y;...
    state(6)-v_wind_z];
t_wind_rel(ii) = t;

% Parameters of step n stored for step n+1
p_a00 = p_a;
T_bt = T_b;

end

%% Event Function to stop ode45
function [value,isterminal,direction] = ReachingTop(t,state)
% This function serves as event to stop the differential equation
% solver and therefore the simulation
xx(ii) = state(1); yy(ii) = state(2); zz(ii) = state(3); Radius(ii) = R;

% End the simulation, when balloon reaches highest point on the
% trajectory (when it "stops" to rise) or the balloon bursts
if ii>20
    % End Condition
    value = double(mean(zz(ii-20:ii)-zz(ii-20)) > 5E-1 & R_burst >= R);
else
    value = 1;
end
isterminal = 1; % End calculation after condition is met

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direction = 0;    % Local Minimum/Maximum
ii = ii+1;
end

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end

### B.8.3. Function postprocess\_ascent

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function [altitude_ascent,lat_ascent, long_ascent] = postprocess_ascent(date,
hour,ini,np_He1,np_He2,DATBsample,simulation)
%findfit Calculates the simulation for each fit which corresponds to
%certain polytropic index for each ascent segment.
% Inputs:
%   date       : Date of launch in format yyyyymmdd
%   hour       : Launch hour GMT+1 [h]
%   ini        : Structure with segment initial conditions
%   DATBsample : Structure with information of launch registered
%               during the defined year, month, day and hour
%   simulation  : Structure containing simulation outputs
% Outputs:
%   altitude_ascent: Simulation end altitude
%   lat_ascent    : Simulation end latitude
%   long_ascent   : Simulation end longitude
%   Altitude, Vertical velocity, flight path and relative wind vel plots

%% Post processing ascent
subplotmode = 1;
% Earth radius [m]
R_earth = 6371000;
% Altitude [m]
altitude_ascent = simulation.state(:,3);
% Vertical velocity [m/s]
vvel_ascent = diff(altitude_ascent)./diff(simulation.time);
time_vvel_ascent = simulation.time(1:end-1)+diff(simulation.time(:))/2;
% Getting latitudes and longitudes for distances in x and y
% x- and y-coordinates
x_ascent = simulation.state(:,1);
y_ascent = simulation.state(:,2);
% Transform to lat, long
lat_ascent = ini.lat_0_a + (y_ascent(1:end-1)/R_earth).*(180/pi);
long_ascent = ini.long_0_a + (x_ascent(1:end-1)/R_earth).*(180/pi)./cos(lat_ascent*pi/180);
% Altitude for latitude and longitude
alt_latlong_ascent = altitude_ascent(1:end-1)+diff(altitude_ascent(1:end))/2;

%% Plot ascent
cd ..; cd Results;
%% Altitude
if subplotmode==1
    figure(2)
    subplot(2,2,1)
    pos = get(gca, 'Position');
    pos(1) = 0.035;
    pos(3) = pos(1)+0.435;
    set(gca, 'Position', pos)
else
    figure(2)
end
plot(simulation.time,altitude_ascent)
hold on
if exist('DATBsample','var')==1

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plot(DATBsample.ftr_time ,DATBsample.ftr_alt)
legend('Simulation',[Data ('date,')], 'Location','best')%, 'FontSize',16)
else
  legend('Simulation','Location','best')%, 'FontSize',16)
end
titlename = char(strcat(date, sprintf('%g',hour), ' Altitude vs time segment n1 = ',
sprintf('%1.3f',np_He1), ' n2 = ', sprintf('%1.3f',np_He2)));
title(titlename)%, 'FontSize',16)
xlabel('time [s]')%, 'FontSize',16)
ylabel('Altitude [m]')%, 'FontSize',16)

%% Velocity
if subplotmode==1
  subplot(2,2,2)
  pos = get(gca, 'Position');
  pos(1) = 0.535;
  pos(3) = 0.4425;
  set(gca, 'Position', pos)
else
  saveas(figure(2),strcat(titlename, '.fig'))
  saveas(figure(2),strcat(titlename, '.png'))
  figure(3)
end
plot(time_vvel_ascent,vvel_ascent)
hold on
if exist('DATBsample','var')==1
  plot(DATBsample.ftr_time,DATBsample.calc_Vvert)
  legend('Simulation',[Data ('date,')], 'Location','best')
else
  legend('Simulation','Location','best')
end
titlename = char(strcat(date, sprintf('%g',hour), ' Vert vel vs time segment n1 = ',
sprintf('%1.3f',np_He1), ' n2 = ', sprintf('%1.3f',np_He2)));
title(titlename)
xlabel('time [s]')
ylabel('Vertical velocity [m/s]')

%% Flight path (trajectory)
if subplotmode==1
  subplot(2,2,3)
  pos = get(gca, 'Position');
  pos(1) = 0.035;
  pos(3) = pos(1)+0.435;
  set(gca, 'Position', pos)
else
  saveas(figure(3),strcat(titlename, '.fig'))
  saveas(figure(3),strcat(titlename, '.png'))
  figure(4)
end
if exist('DATBsample','var')==1
  plot3(DATBsample.ftr_LON,DATBsample.ftr_LAT,DATBsample.ftr_alt,'blue'); hold on
end
plot3(long_ascent,lat_ascent,alt_latlong_ascent,'green'); hold on
scatter3(long_ascent(1),lat_ascent(1),alt_latlong_ascent(1),'green','filled',...
'MarkerEdgeColor',[0 0 0]); hold on
scatter3(long_ascent(end),lat_ascent(end),altitude_ascent(end),'cyan',...
'filled','MarkerEdgeColor',[0 0 0]); hold on
if exist('DATBsample','var')==1

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scatter3(DATBsample.ftr_LON(end),DATBsample.ftr_LAT(end),DATBsample.ftr_alt(end),...
'cyan','filled','MarkerEdgeColor',[0 0 0]);
end
xlabel('Longitude [°]'); ylabel('Latitude [°]'); zlabel('Altitude [m]');
titlename = char(strcat(date, sprintf('%g',hour), ' Flight trajectory vs time segment n1 = ',
sprintf('%1.3f',np_He1), ' n2 = ', sprintf('%1.3f',np_He2)));
title(titlename)
if exist('DATBsample','var')==1
    legend('Data (Ascension)','Simulation (Ascension)','Launch site',...
    'Balloon burst (Simulation)','Balloon burst (Data)')
else
    legend('Simulation (Ascension)','Launch site',...
    'Balloon burst (Simulation)')
end

%% Relative wind velocity
if subplotmode==1
    subplot(2,2,4)
    pos = get(gca, 'Position');
    pos(1) = 0.535;
    pos(3) = 0.4425;
    set(gca, 'Position', pos)
else
    saveas(ffigure(4),strcat(titlename, '.fig'))
    saveas(ffigure(4),strcat(titlename, '.png'))
    figure(5)
end
plot(simulation.t_wind,simulation.v_wind(:,1),simulation.t_wind,simulation.v_wind(:,2),...
simulation.t_wind,simulation.v_wind(:,3))
xlabel('time [s]')
ylabel('Relative velocity [m/s]')
legend('Relative wind in x-direction','Relative wind in y-direction',...
'Relative wind in z-direction','Location','best')
titlename = char(strcat(date, sprintf('%g',hour), ' Relative 3D velocity segment n1 = ',
sprintf('%1.3f',np_He1), ' n2 = ', sprintf('%1.3f',np_He2)));
title(titlename)
if subplotmode==1
    % Enlarge figure to full screen.
    set(gcf, 'Units', 'Normalized', 'OuterPosition', [0 0 1 1]);
    titlename = (char(strcat(date, sprintf('%g',hour), ' Segment n1 = ', sprintf('%1.3f',np_He1), ' n2
= ', sprintf('%1.3f',np_He2))));
    saveas(ffigure(2),strcat(titlename, '.fig'))
    saveas(ffigure(2),strcat(titlename, '.png'))
else
    saveas(ffigure(5),strcat(titlename, '.fig'))
    saveas(ffigure(5),strcat(titlename, '.png'))
end
close all;
cd ..; cd simulation;
end

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